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SHANGHAI DEFENCE FORCE.

FULL DETAILS OF BRITISH DIVISION.

MORE AGITATION AT SWATOW AND AMOY.

HANKOW BANKS RE-OPEN.

New from Hankow to-day shows that the foreign Banks in the British Concession re-opened yesterday without incident.

Owing to reports of a reverse having been sustained by Marshal Sun Chuan-fang in Chekiang (which are now discounted), the British authorities have ordered missionaries to evacuate the Ningpo district.

Anti-Catholic and anti-British agitations are reported both from Amoy and Swatow. American missionaries from up-country having gone to the latter port.

Further details are to hand of the military forces which Britain is sending to China, and it is also reported that an armed guard of thirty has been placed on the Nanking-Shanghai Railway-tunnels at Chinkiang.

London, Jan. 24. An official War Office announcement states that the three Brigades which will form the Shanghai defence force will consist of the following:—

1.—The 13th Infantry Brigade, comprising:
1st Batt. Middlesex Regiment.
1st Batt. Cameronians (Scottish Rifles).
1st Batt. Border Regiment.
1st Batt. Green Howards.

2.—The 14th Infantry Brigade, comprising:
2nd Batt. Coldstream Guard.
2nd Batt. Bedfordshire Regiment.
2nd Batt. Border Regiment.
1st Batt. Devonshire Regiment.

3.—The 20th Infantry Brigade, comprising:
2nd Batt. Gloucestershire Regiment.
Two Battalions of the Punjab Regiment.
2nd Batt. Durham Light Infantry.

12th British Pack Battery.
Some Medium Artillery, together with a Company of Sappers and Miners and all necessary ancillary units. The entire contingent, excepting the Durham Light Infantry, belongs to the Jhansi Brigade.

Also, the above three Brigades will be accompanied by artillery, an Armoured Car Company, and all necessary ancillary services.

The Commander of the Force will be Major General John Duncan, C.B., C.M.G., C.V.O., D.S.O., of the Royal Scottish Fusiliers, and Commanding the 54th East Anglian Division, and he is leaving for Shanghai to-morrow. The troops are following as soon as transport is available.—*Reuter.*

THE COMMANDING GENERAL.

Major General John Duncan, who is the son of Lieut. General J. Duncan, has had a brilliant military career. He was born in February, 1872, and entered the army in 1891, being promoted to the rank of Captain in 1898, and Major in 1910. He served on the North-Frontier of India 1897-1899 (medal with clasp), and also in South Africa (despatches, medal with five clasps, D.S.O.). In the Great War, 1914-1918, he served as General Staff Officer with the 11th Division in Gallipoli; commanded the 78th Infantry Brigade (1916-17), and later 22nd Division (1917-19) in Macedonia; was Major-General, General Staff Army of Black Sea, April 1919-December 1919 (despatches six times, C.M.G., C.B., Brevet-Col. Major-General).

Among his decorations he is a Grand Commander of the Order of the Crown of Roumania; a Grand Commander of the Order of the Greek Redeemer; a Grand Commander of the Crown of Italy; a Commander of the Legion of Honour; Commander of the French Croix de Guerre; Italian Croce di Guerra; and Greek War Cross.

During his service prior to the Great War he passed through the Staff College; was a Brigade Major in Malta 1902-3; and was General Staff Officer, Army Head-

quarters, 1903-08, and Wessex Division in 1910. He is a Member of the Royal Company of Archers.

MORE AIR FORCE MEN.

London, Jan. 24. Thirty officers and men of the Royal Air Force have arrived at Portsmouth to accompany the Marines to China.—*Reuter.*

DEPARTURE OF MARINES DELAYED.

London, Jan. 24. Owing to fog holding up in the Scheldt the steamer Zealand, on which they will travel, the departure of the Battalion of Marines from Portsmouth for China was cancelled for to-day. They will probably embark to-morrow.—*Reuter.*

ARMoured CAR COMPANY WARNED.

London, Jan. 24. The Fifth Armoured Car Company, stationed at Scarborough, has been ordered to be ready to leave for China, if wanted.—*Reuter.*

NAVAL NEWS.

CHINESE TROOPS MOVING.

Shanghai, Jan. 24. Two thousand troops crossed the river on Saturday, and two thousand more left to-day down river in tugs and junks. About ten thousand troops now remain at Shashi.—*Naval Wireless.*

HANKOW BANKS OPEN.

Hankow, Jan. 24. The foreign banks opened to-day without incident of any sort.—*Naval Wireless.*

PROTECTING TUNNELS.

Chinkiang, Jan. 24. An armed guard of thirty has been placed by the British authorities to protect the Nanking and Shanghai railway tunnels.—*Naval Wireless.*

MORE AGITATIONS.

TROUBLE AT AMOY AND SWATOW. Peking, Jan. 25. The anti-Catholic agitation continues at Amoy, where seven recently-buried bodies of babies have been exhumed owing to an allegation that the Catholics had mutilated them.

Also, an anti-British agitation is developing in Amoy and Swatow, whilst all American missionaries from up-country have temporarily come to Swatow.—*Reuter.*

NINGPO TENSION.

MISSIONARIES TO LEAVE.

Peking, Jan. 25. In view of a reverse sustained by Marshal Sun Chuan-fang in Chekiang, the British authorities have ordered missionaries to evacuate the Ningpo district.—*Reuter.*

SHEER PROPAGANDA.

NO REVERSE IN CHEKIANG.

Shanghai, Jan. 24. According to the best available information here, and information (Continued On Page 12.)

COMING EAST.

DETAILS OF BRITISH BRIGADES.

NAMES OF OFFICERS.

The composition of the three Brigades coming to China is given in full to-day in another column and it will doubtless be of much interest to learn the following particulars of the various Battalions under orders:—

THE MIDDLESEX.

The Middlesex Regiment (Duke of Cambridge's Own).—The 1st Battalion is the old 57th Foot, and the Colonel-in-Chief of the Regiment is the Prince of Wales. The Regimental Badge is the plume of the Prince of Wales. The Regiment has a very fine war service and during the Great War raised 46 Battalions.

The Commanding Officer of the 1st Battalion is Lieut.-Col. W. A. Stewart, O.B.E., and the following are the senior officers:—Majors V. L. N. Pearson, D.S.O., W. W. Jeffery, L. F. Sloane-Stanley and Captains L. L. Pargiter, D.S.O., N. H. B. Lyon, M.C., H. Phillips, M.C., G. C. Bucknall, M.C., H. W. M. Call, O.B.E., M.C., B. G. Horrocks, M.C., C. W. Haydon, M.C., S. F. W. M. del Court, M.C., and E. F. Lyons, M.C.

THE CAMERONIANS.

The Camerons (Scottish Rifles).—The 1st Battalion is the old 26th Foot. The Regimental Badge is the Sphinx superimposed "Egypt" and The Dragon superimposed "China." During the Great War, the Regiment raised 27 Battalions.

The Commanding Officer of the 1st Battalion is Lieut.-Col. E. B. Ferrer, D.S.O., and the following are the senior officers:—Majors H. C. H. Smith, D.S.O., D. H. Hornburn, and A. C. L. Stanley Clarke, D.S.O., and Captains B. A. H. Graham, M.C., A. Galloway, M.C., A. Macmillan, D.S.O., M. K. St. J. Carpendale, D. E. M. Woodhouse, M.C., R. F. R. Betcher, C. N. Barclay and B. M. Balbi.

THE BORDER REGIMENT.

The Border Regiment.—The 1st Battalion is the old 34th Foot, and the 2nd Battalion is the old 55th Foot, with Depot at Carlisle. The Regimental Badge is a Laurel Wreath and The "Dragon," superimposed "China." During the Great War the Regiment raised 16 battalions.

The Commanding Officer of the 1st Battalion is Lieut.-Col. G. H. Harrison, D.S.O., and the following are the senior officers of the Battalion:—Majors E. Roche-Kelly, D.S.O., G. Darwell, M.C., M. U. Manley, M.C., and W. O. Lay, Captains H. L. Chatfield, M.C., C. G. Carruthers, M.C., G. W. B. Tarleton, M.C., W. F. H. Chambers, M.C., G. W. O'Brien, M.C., F. J. S. Nichols, M.C.

The Commanding Officer of the 2nd Battalion is Lieut.-Col. A. J. Ellis, D.S.O., and the following are the senior officers of the Battalion:—Majors J. R. Meiklejohn, D.S.O., G. R. Sandeman, D.S.O., M.C., W. Watson, D.S.O., Captains P. J. Shears, C. V. Woodforde-Booth, M.C., A. Wright, R. K. Elgrenborg, H. J. Hayman-Joyce, T. G. Proctor, C. M. Craig-McFie, C.M., D.S.O., M.B.E., M.C., and A. G. Wilkinson.

GREEN HOWARDS.

The Green Howards (Alexandra, Princess of Wales' Own Yorkshire Regiment).—The 1st Battalion is the old 19th Foot, and the Regimental Badge is the Cypher of the Princess of Wales, surmounted by the Coronet of the Princess. During the Great War the Regiment raised 24 Battalions.

The Commanding Officer of the 1st Battalion is Lieut.-Col. M. D. Carey, and the following are the senior officers:—Majors H. W. McCall, C.M.G., D.S.O., R. S. Moss-Blundell, D.S.O., O.B.E., C. C. Godwin, O.B.E., H. C. Cumberbatch, O.B.E., M.C., Captains R. G. Atkinson, J. R. F. Errington, A. E. Robinson, A. Parrott, C. E. Brockhurst, M.C., and W. D. Clayton. (Continued on Page 8.)

RECENT CURE BY FAITH.

FORMER HONGKONG MAN'S EXPERIENCE.

AFTER TEN MONTHS.

Within recent years, a great deal has been heard of faith-healing, by means of which it is claimed that many people have been cured of various diseases and complaints even after treatment by doctors had failed. To-day we are able to publish an account of what would appear, on the face of it, a marvellous cure, in the case of a gentleman named Mr. J. Reynolds, who formerly lived in the Colony. He claims that, through the medium of prayer, he rose from his bed on which he had lain for many months, walked briskly about and to-day feels as if he had never been ill. The incident is related in a letter which reached the Colony yesterday from Mrs. Reynolds, who, before her marriage, lived in Kowloon.

Mr. Reynolds was formerly a wireless operator on a Namazee steamer, but later gave up his position and secured an appointment in Hongkong. Two years ago, he married Miss Mabel Penne, who lived with her parents in Kowloon, and the couple left for England where Mr. Reynolds was to be operated upon for an injury to his spine. For many months, Mr. Reynolds was an invalid, medical men being apparently unable to cure him. The following extract from the letter describes the events which led up to the cure.

"We read of a pastor in Bourne-mouth curing a girl with a tubercular leg, by faith-healing. It was a wonderful cure, so Jim wrote to the pastor and asked him to pray for him. He had a nice reply saying that the pastor would pray for him on Monday (December 20th) at eight o'clock. On Monday, we knelt down just before eight o'clock, and after praying for some time, Jim got up and walked into the next room as upright and straight as could be. We had the spinal jacket removed and wrapped a bandage round his body. After ten months in bed, lying flat, he rose and walked without help. Jim now looks as healthy as though he had never been ill."

ILLICIT STILL.

CHINESE FINED \$500.

A Chinese employed at the French Mission House at Pokfulam, who was arrested by Revenue Officers, had his connection with an illicit Chinese wine-distillery proved by a mass of material evidence at the Central Magistracy this morning. Amongst the goods seized in the raid, was a world-looking assortment of pots and pans used in the process of making Chinese wine.

The man was found guilty and fined \$500.

OBSTINATE RUSSIA.

STILL REFUSES TO KNOW SWITZERLAND.

Geneva, Jan. 24. Replying to the League of Nations' invitation to participate in the forthcoming International Economic Conference, M. Litvinoff reiterates Russia's refusal to attend a conference or nominate representatives on any international conference held on Swiss soil.—*Reuter.*

OBITUARY.

INVENTOR OF EXPLOSIVE.

Paris, Jan. 24. The death is announced of M. Eugene Turpin, the inventor of melinite.—*Reuter.*

THE CHINA WAR.

MUCH ACTIVITY IN HUNAN.

PROPOSED CHEKIANG MOVE.

According to a latest Chinese telegram from Shanghai, it is reported that, following the driving from Chekiang of the troops under the direction of the pro-Southern General Chang Kai-shek, by General Maog Chao-yue's Northern forces, General Chang Kai-shek has issued an order for a general attack on Chekiang from three directions. Kuomintang troops, having crossed Kiangsi border, are being led by General Pak Sung-kih of the 3rd Army Corps. The first objective aimed at by General Pak is Tunglo.

FIGHTING RESUMED.

Fighting is said to have been resumed in the vicinity of Lankai as well as near Tunglo. On the other hand, it is reported, that General Ho Ying-yam, the Commander of the Kuomintang 1st Corps in Fukien province, who has long been intending to start his expedition to Chekiang, has, so far, not been able to realise his scheme. The main difficulty is financial stringency, coupled with depression of business pleaded by the Foochow General Chamber of Commerce when approached by the provincial Government to contribute to the war funds.

As to the war situation in Hunan, according to this morning's telegram from Shanghai, the pro-Southern troops under Marshal Wu Pei-fu's rebellious generals, Wei Yi-san and Chin Yun-ao, are making considerable advances and their vanguards are even threatening Hsuehchow along the Peking-Hankow Railway where Marshal Wu's subordinate, Kau Yin-kit, the Tull of Honan, is taking up his defences.

THE CHRISTIAN GENERAL.

General Tang Sang-chi, field-marshal of the Nationalist Honan Expedition, has sent a wire to Canton reporting that the troops of the Kuominchun armies have entered the province of Honan and the marching on Loyang to attack Wu Pei-fu. General Peng Yushiang, the Christian General, is in Si-an, the capital of Shensi and will proceed to the Honan front shortly to direct operations there.

General Tang asks that the military authorities in Hankow should despatch further reinforcements into Honan to help in the military campaign there which he believes will result in the complete collapse of Wu Pei-fu.

A Chinese news agency, reporting on the military situation in Honan, states that in the North, Fengtien, Chihli, and Shantung units are entering Honan by the Peking-Hankow railway. In the west, the Kuominchun, which is reported to be composed of ten Army Corps, is making forced marches, to take up certain strategic points; in the south-west, Szechuan and Kwelchow contingents of the Nationalist Army are crossing the frontier; in the south, the Hupei units have advanced to join General Fan Chun-shou; and in central-east, the section of the Hankow-Peking Railway from Siao Kan to Yencheng is being employed in transporting troops.

It is expected that some big battles will be fought in the vicinity of Chengchow and on the banks of the Yellow River and in the northern part of the province.

COMING BATTLE.

General Chang Kai-shek, who returned to Nanchang on the 20th inst. from Hankow, is shortly to proceed to the Chekiang front to direct the present campaign against Marshal Sun Chuan-fang, according to a report just received in the Army Headquarters at Canton. Private information, however, indicates that he will remain in Nanchang until after the Chinese New Year. In the meantime, General Chang is expanding the scope of his Headquarters and Army, having recently issued a large number of appointments of military commanders and staff officers. Since his return to Nanchang over twenty important appointments have been made.

SUNNING LEGAL ARGUMENT.

DOES COMMON PURPOSE DOCTRINE APPLY?

DEFENCE SUBMISSIONS.

That the doctrine of common purpose could not apply in the case, because the Crown had submitted no evidence to connect any of the prisoners with any act of violence, was urged by counsel for the defence in the Sunning piracy trial which was resumed at the Criminal Sessions this morning.

Both Mr. C. G. Alabaster K.C., and Mr. H. G. Sheldon submitted that there was no case to answer, and that there was up case to put to the jury.

There might be evidence, said Mr. Sheldon, that these men went on board with the purpose of committing the simple act of piracy, but that evidence pointed to the fact that there was no intention of resorting to violence. The various acts which tended to endanger life were committed after the firing of the shots on the bridge, and from that time on there was no evidence to show common design.

Mr. J. H. B. Nihill's reply was that the men went on board armed with loaded lethal weapons. The law was that if men embarked on an unlawful enterprise they ought to know that resistance was probable and that therefore all were guilty. No jury could find that a gang of armed men attacking a ship would be surprised if they met with resistance.

Mr. C. G. Alabaster submitted that he had no case to answer when this morning's proceedings opened. There was no case against any of the prisoners which could be placed before a jury. There was no evidence of any wrongful act against any of the four men (Nos. 7, 8, 9 and 14) whose defence he was conducting. No. 8 would not have been before the Court if he had not left the Sunning in the No. 6 boat. Two witnesses for the prosecution were also in that boat, and two other witnesses for the prosecution were invited to enter the boat. Captain Pringle, who seems to have been very prolific in his identifications, had failed to pick him out.

READING A BOOK.

The Consul had said that he saw him in Cabin 16 reading a book. That struck him as evidence for the defence rather than evidence for the prosecution. A cabin boy also saw him in Cabin 16 with Nos. 1 and 2 prisoners. He was apparently examining the cargo register. But Cabin 16 was his proper cabin. Two men had intruded and were interested in the cargo register. In China if anyone is doing something, others present exhibit exceeding interest in the proceedings. It was not evidence against No. 8. He is a Formosan Chinese with a proper passport from the Japanese Government, and he had never withheld his defence at any stage.

AN OUTSTANDING FEATURE. Capt. Pringle identifies No. 14. He says he saw him on the boat-deck and in the alley-way. "One of the outstanding features of this case is Capt. Pringle's ability to identify nearly all the prisoners, and that in spite of the evidence of the Naval officers that Capt. Pringle was dangerously ill next morning."

As to his evidence that No. 14 was on the boat-deck with pirates, the evidence of the prosecution was that passengers were forced on to the boat-deck to act as shields. Of the other 65 witnesses, only one other man speaks of No. 14 at all. He is a cabin boy who says that No. 14 rummaged in his box, but that evidence was contradicted by another boy in the same room who said that pirates came into the room but did nothing.

Capt. Pringle only saw No. 9 prisoner once. He says that No. 9 was one of the men who followed him when he visited the box-room. The only other witness against him is a "pantry" boy who in his enthusiasm to be of service to the prosecution identifies six persons as a group of six to whom he served a meal in the first-class saloon. He says that they arrived together and left together, and No. 9 was one of them. Mr. Cormack says that he saw two men having a meal in the saloon. Mr. Cormack identifies only one, and that one is not one of the six mentioned by the pantry boy.

RECOGNISED BY FEATURES.

There was more evidence against No. 7 prisoner because his features represent a type which is not uncommon. Capt. Fringle and Chief Officer Beatty were both inclined to mix him with No. 11 prisoner. Mr. Beatty satisfies himself he knows No. 7 because of the difference in stature. Mr. Orr says he can recognise him by his features. The pantry boy includes him as one of the six at table.

Mr. Alabaster went on to deal with the law on the subject, quoting from many authorities in support of his contention that the doctrine of common purpose did not apply. If several persons set out with a common object, he submitted, if one of them commits an offence previously contemplated all are guilty, but not otherwise. It must be that they set out with an unlawful intention which they intend to achieve at all hazards. There was no evidence to show that in the present case.

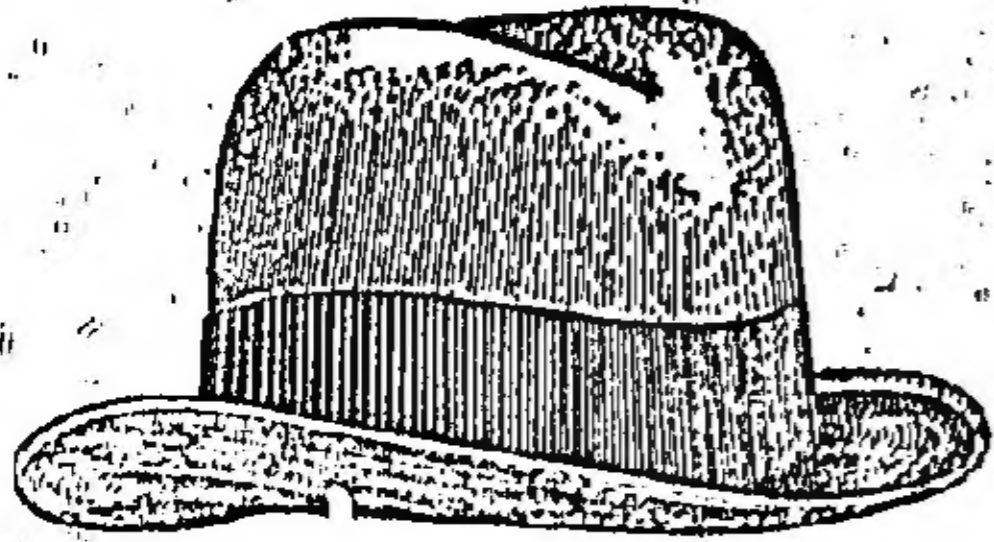
THE STARTING POINT.

Mr. H. G. Sheldon detailed the indictment against the prisoners, and pointed out that before the shots were fired on the bridge, no act was done which could possibly support the charge against the accused men. His Lordship:—Yes, that is the starting point. Mr. Sheldon:—At that time No. 20 prisoner was lying senseless on the bridge, and he could therefore have taken no part in the subsequent events.

Mr. Sheldon went on to outline the law respecting principals in the first degree and second degree, pointing out that common purpose involved "actual" presence. He agreed that presence need not be presence involving a man as an eye or ear-witness, but he must be sufficiently near to render assistance. If necessary, he must be able to join in the act or encourage it.

He cited many cases to support his argument, and said that it was obvious that No. 20 did nothing which could support the charge against him. There could be no evidence that he intended to join in the subsequent acts, because nothing would have happened if he had not been struck down. LIFE NOT ENDANGERED. There was nothing against the rest of the prisoners which showed that they took part in the acts of violence, or even that they (Continued on Page 8.)

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LIBEL ACTION FAILS.

THE ELECTRIC COMPANY.

Damages for breach of contract and libel, amounting to \$1,000, were claimed from the Hongkong Electric Company by the Iloo Sing Firm, of 48, Lyndhurst Terrace, before the Chief Justice, Sir Henry Gollan, in the Summary Court yesterday. Mr. M. K. Lo was for the plaintiffs, and the defendants were represented by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C.

Mr. Potter's Submission.

Mr. Eldon Potter submitted that he had no case to answer. He referred to the case of the Hodgeson Gas and Coke Company v. Havelwood, in which the appellants (the Gas Company) had supplied the respondent with gas for several years, and he had hired of them a motor by the year, and payment, both for the motor and the gas supplied, was demanded and made quarterly. It was held in this case, which Mr. Potter characterized as being very similar to the present one, that there was no evidence from which a contract could be implied binding the appellants to continue to supply gas for any specific period, or requiring them, before discontinuing to supply, to give the respondent notice of their intention to do so.

That, counsel said, was a very strong case quoted by Halsbury as a perfectly good and living case to day. It was interesting to notice how difficult it was to induce the Court to imply terms of this kind unless the Court felt it was the intention of both parties that they should be implied. Halsbury was quite clear upon that point. Obviously, the contract could be quite completely carried out in the present case as it stood, because it might be the understanding of both parties that either party could, without notice, terminate the contract.

The Chief Justice: Of course there is nothing to prevent you entering into a contract.

Mr. Potter: We do enter into contracts with various big consumers—special contracts in which all these matters are set out. Proceeding, Mr. Potter argued that if the meter was tampered with when under the custody or control of the plaintiff, that was conduct which would entitle them to say the matter was at an end. The authorities showed that if a party was guilty of misconduct, then the other party could say the contract was at an end. The Electric Company could not say who tampered with the meter in this case, but in as much as it was in the custody of the plaintiffs, some servant of theirs must have tampered with it. There was no other conclusion that could possibly be arrived at. On the question of contract, he submitted there was no case to answer.

The Libel Claim.

With regard to the libel claim, Mr. Potter drew his lordship's attention to the fact that the alleged libel was contained in a reply to two letters of the plaintiff firm. They had had a very interesting statement in evidence, which they did not often get in a libel case, and that was the admission by the plaintiff's own witness that if certain facts were true, the only conclusion the Company could have come to was that the meter had been tampered with. That, however, was only of interest on the question of malice.

With regard to the question of privilege, assuming the defendants could not prove the statements in the letter, the letter, he contended, was a privileged communication, and that privilege was only lost on the plaintiff satisfying his lordship that there had been express malice.

The Chief Justice: If you make a statement in a letter beyond what is reasonably necessary, then that is malice.

Counsel agreed. He quoted the case of a Bishop in which the Privy Council ruled that they must not scrutinise too carefully the language of a privileged communication. Of course, if it contained

allegations that were recklessly made and obviously untrue, that would be evidence to go to the jury that there was malice.

The Chief Justice: Of course the onus is on the plaintiffs to prove express malice.

A Privileged Occasion.

Mr. Potter proceeded to quote cases bearing on the question of malice and particularly on the point that where an answer to a question was invited then the person who put the question was simply asking for what he got and it was his own misfortune. He was proceeding to say that there were many other authorities he could quote on the subject, when the Chief Justice intervened and said it was unnecessary.

In regard to malice, Mr. Potter said the Privy Council had laid it down that once a case of privilege had been established, the onus was entirely on the plaintiff to prove express malice and thus take the case out of privilege.

Mr. Lo: I certainly agree to that, once my friend has convinced your lordship that this is a privileged occasion. Your lordship has not ruled yet that it is a privileged occasion.

The Chief Justice: I declared it is a privileged communication. You asked for a reason, and you brought it on yourselves.

Mr. Potter went on to submit that malice must be express malice. There was no evidence whatever that the manager of the Hongkong Electric Company had been actuated by malice. He had merely given the reasons in answer to letters received asking why the Company had acted in a certain way. He submitted, in conclusion, that the occasion was privileged and that there was no evidence whatever of malice.

Company's Wide Powers.

Mr. Lo in reply, argued that the facts of the Hodgeson case were not exactly the same as those in the present case.

The Chief Justice said he could see no distinction between this case and the Hodgeson case. Every feature in the Hodgeson case appeared in this case. "I am afraid I am against you on the question of contract," he told Mr. Lo. "I am somewhat reluctant to come to that conclusion, and I think it is a great pity that regulations have not been made. As a matter of fact regulations could be made under section 4 of the Ordinance and I am inclined to agree with you that it is somewhat regrettable that they have not been made."

Mr. Lo: If one result of this case is that the Legislature decides to make regulations to protect both the Company and the public, then the plaintiffs will certainly feel that they have performed a public service in bringing this case forward. I bow to your lordship's ruling.

Mr. Potter: I do not want to interrupt my friend, but the Press is present, and one would think from what he has said that we have inflicted some awful damage upon the plaintiffs. My friend must not forget that the Company's reason for doing this was because—

The Chief Justice: On the general principle I must say that the powers given to the Company, apparently as the result of the law—the genuine law—are so great that I think it is just as well the whole subject should be considered. That is a different question altogether, and has nothing to do with this case. So far as the question of contract is concerned, in the absence of any regulations made by the Governor-in-Council, I feel I am bound by the Hodgeson case. I also rule that the occasion was a privileged one.

Mr. Lo went on to argue on the question of express malice that the Company's letter had gone much further than it should. The inference to be drawn from it was that the Company had been periodically defrauded.

The Judgment.

The Chief Justice, in giving judgment, said there were two

claims, one based upon contract and the other based upon the publication of an alleged libellous letter by defendants referring to the plaintiffs. So far as the contract claim was concerned, he could make no distinction at all between the facts of this case and the facts of the Hodgeson case and consequently the plaintiffs' case failed on that claim.

As regards the question of libel, there was no need for him to go into the meaning of the letter, having regard to the view he had taken of its being a privileged occasion. The occasion was clearly a privileged one. A request was made by the solicitors for the plaintiffs for certain information regarding the cutting off of the supply of electricity, and in answer to that invitation the Company wrote a letter on March 26th last year.

In his view that made the occasion a privileged one. Mr. Lo had argued that although the occasion might have been a privileged one, there was some evidence of express malice. It was a matter altogether beyond dispute that the onus of proving express malice, which would remove privilege, was on the plaintiff. There was no evidence at all which showed malice and there were no statements in the letter which entitled him to call upon the defendants to answer the case any further. He therefore found for the defendants.

Counsel a Luxury.

Mr. Lo referred to the question of costs, and said he did not know what views his lordship's views were as to counsel appearing in a Summary case.

The Chief Justice: I am inclined to regard counsel in a Summary case as a luxury.

Mr. Potter: Counsel also regard it as perhaps a luxury, but there is a principle of importance involved, and, indeed, my friend in opening his case, expressed regret that he was unable to secure counsel himself.

Mr. Lo: That would have been indulging in another luxury.

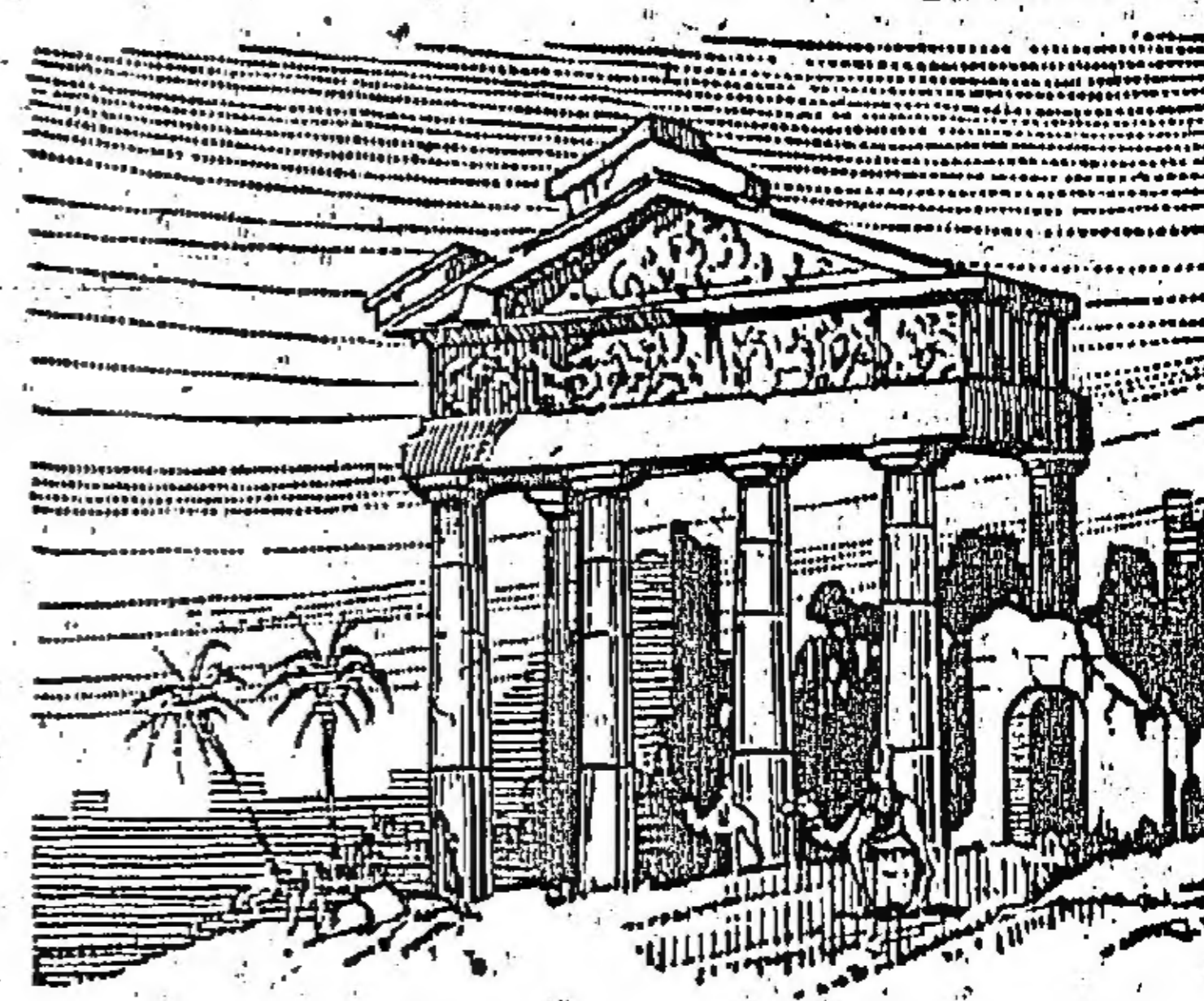
The Chief Justice: I am delighted to see you Mr. Potter, but in the circumstances I do not think I can certify for counsel.

Mr. Potter: We have not made any application in the matter. I am sure the Company's desire would be to leave it entirely in your lordship's hands.

Judgment was entered for the defendants with costs.

Sir Charles Wakefield is presenting a deed bearing the seal of the famous Whittington, dated May 7, 1402, to the Guildhall Library.

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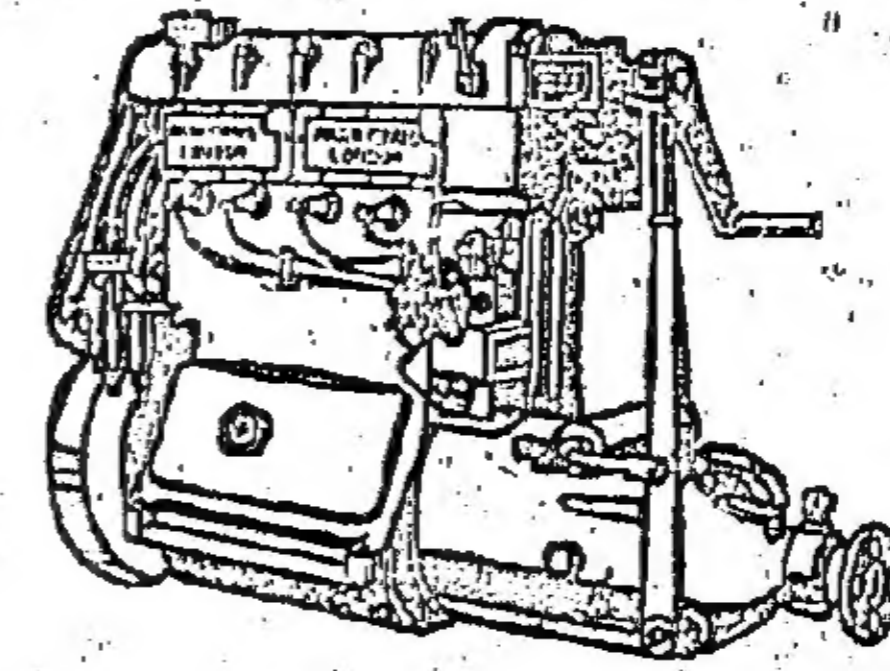
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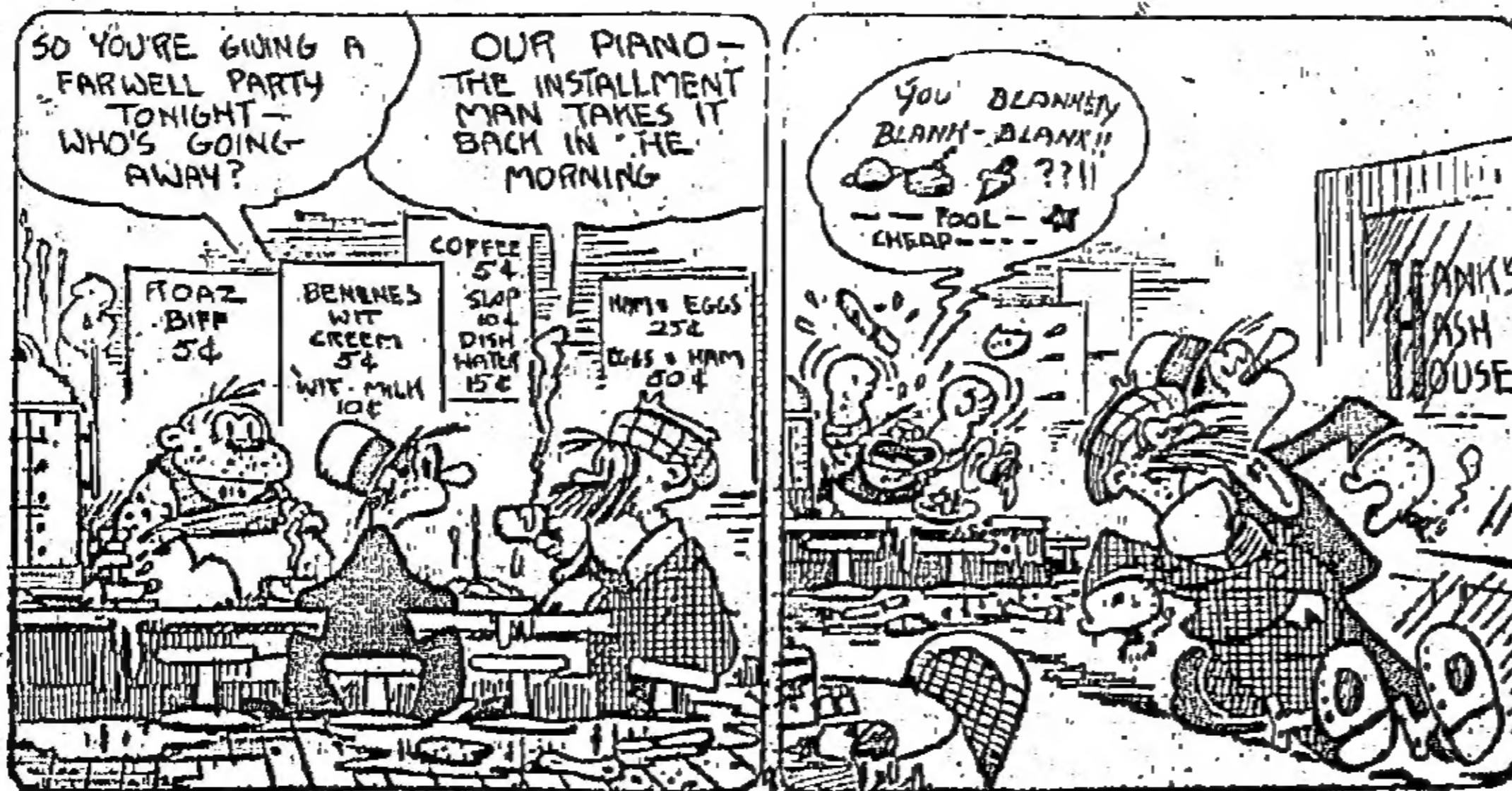
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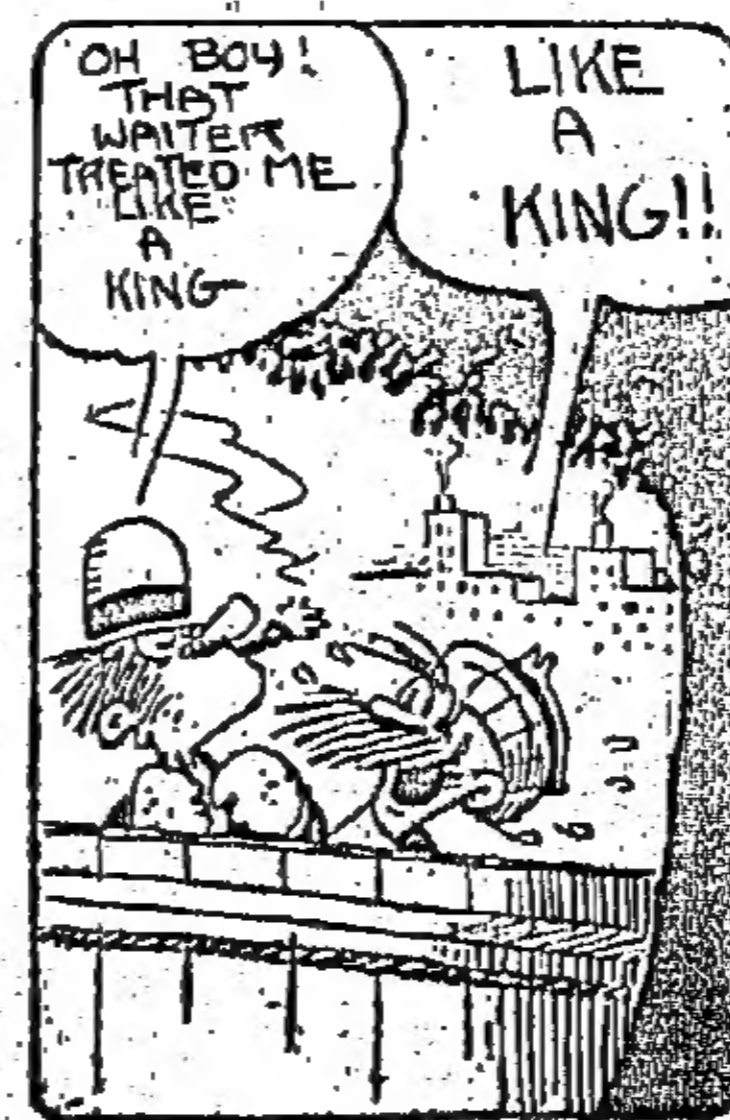
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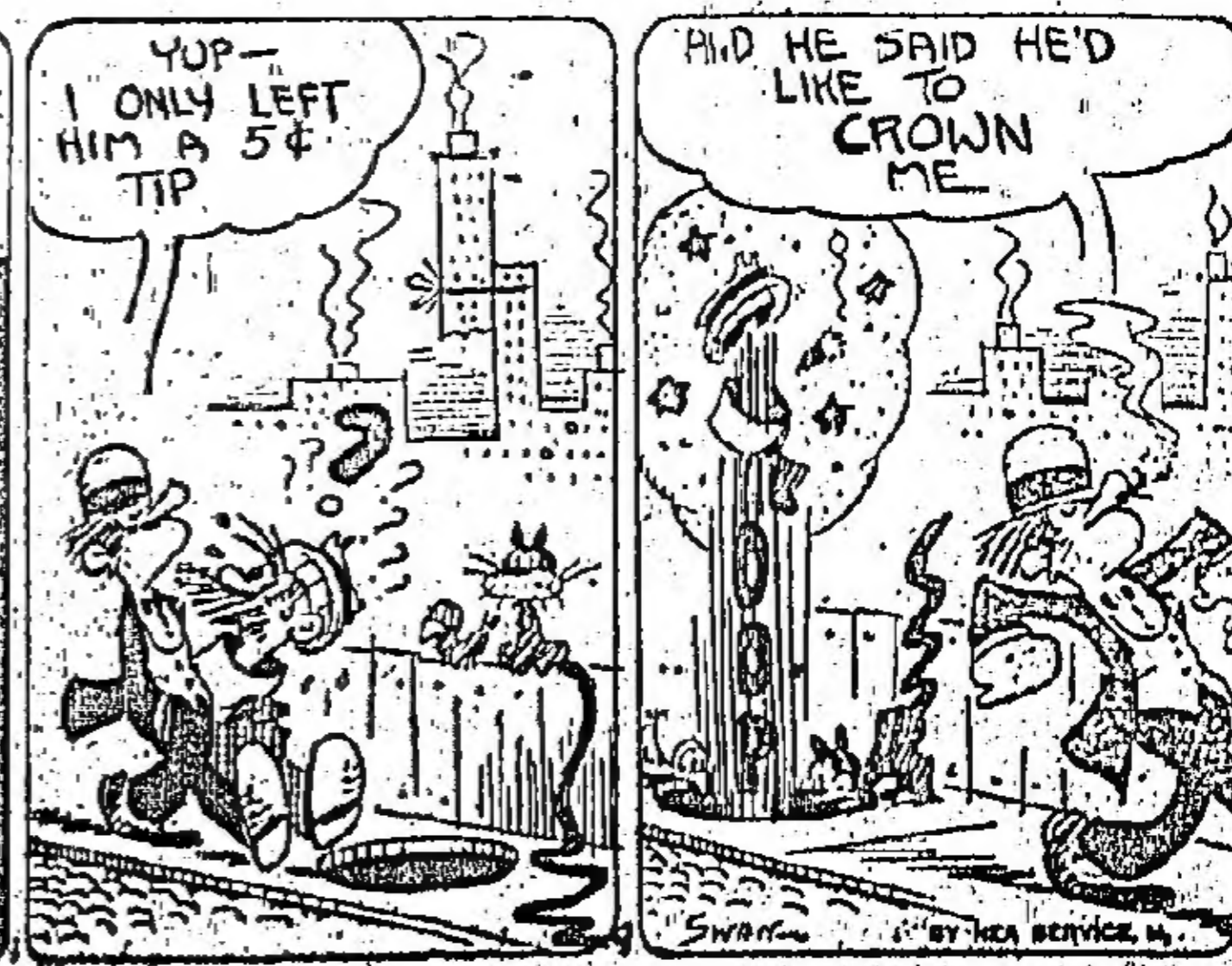
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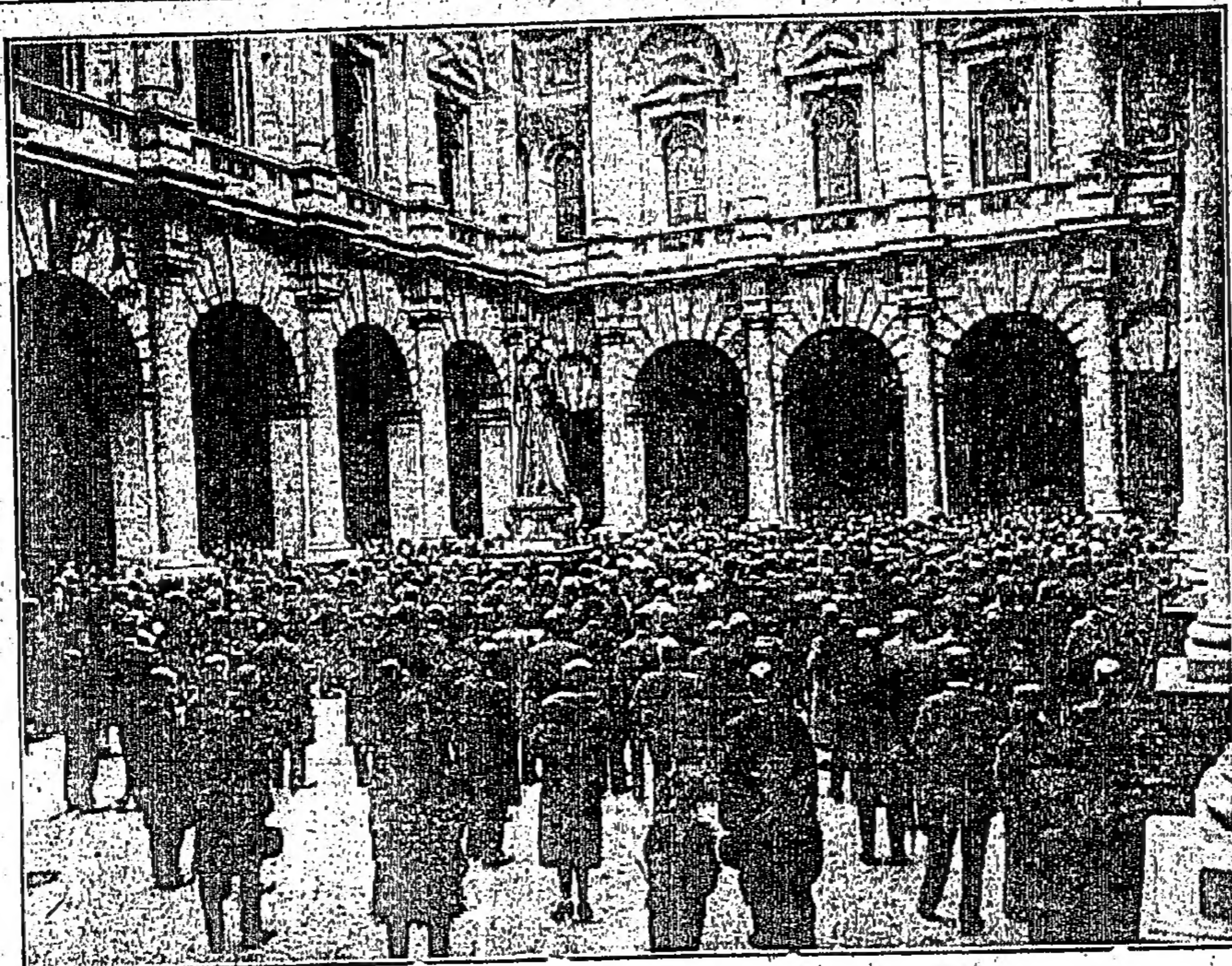


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HONOURS FOR DEAD SOLDIERS.—General Gouraud kissing the daughter of a fallen soldier after presenting her with the Cross of the Legion of Honour awarded her father. An incident at Les Invalides during the presentation of honours to relatives of the dead. (Times copyright.)



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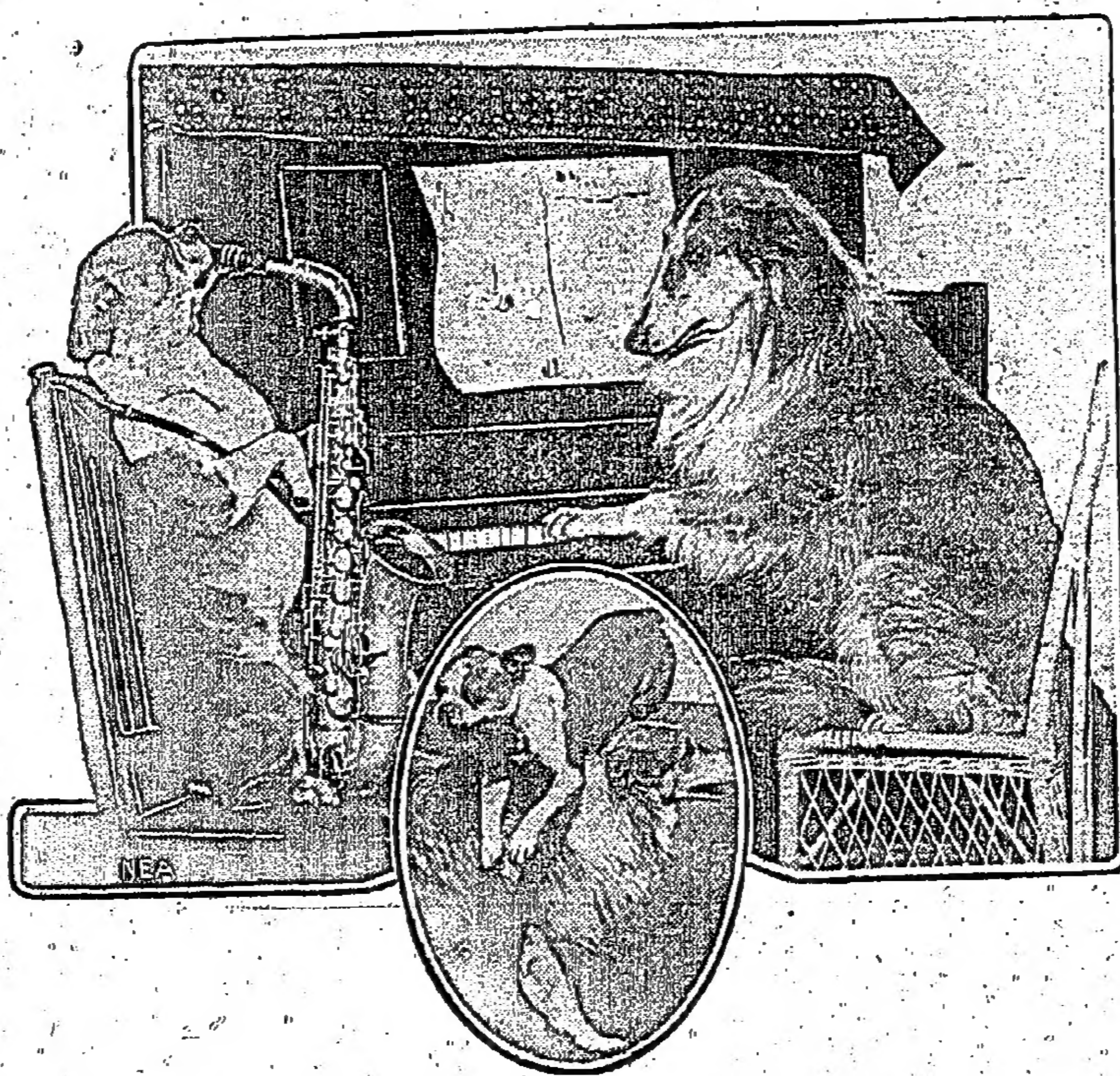
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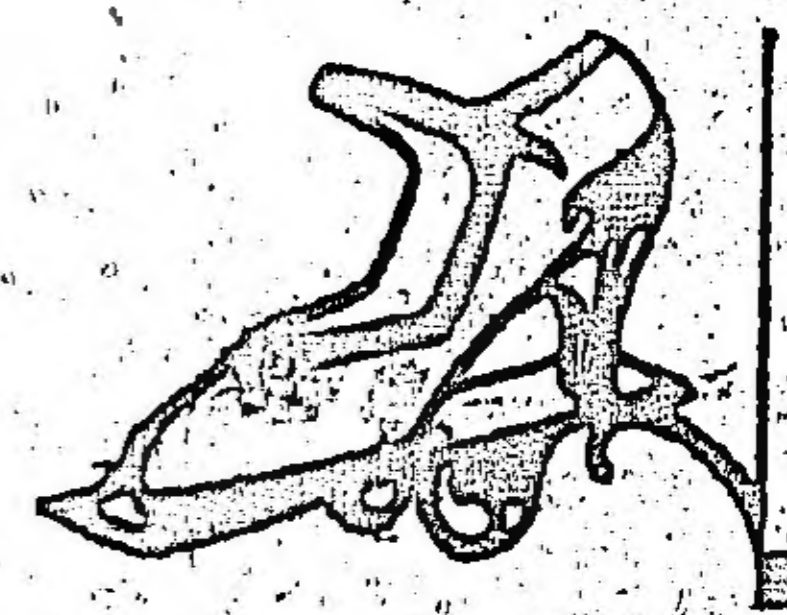
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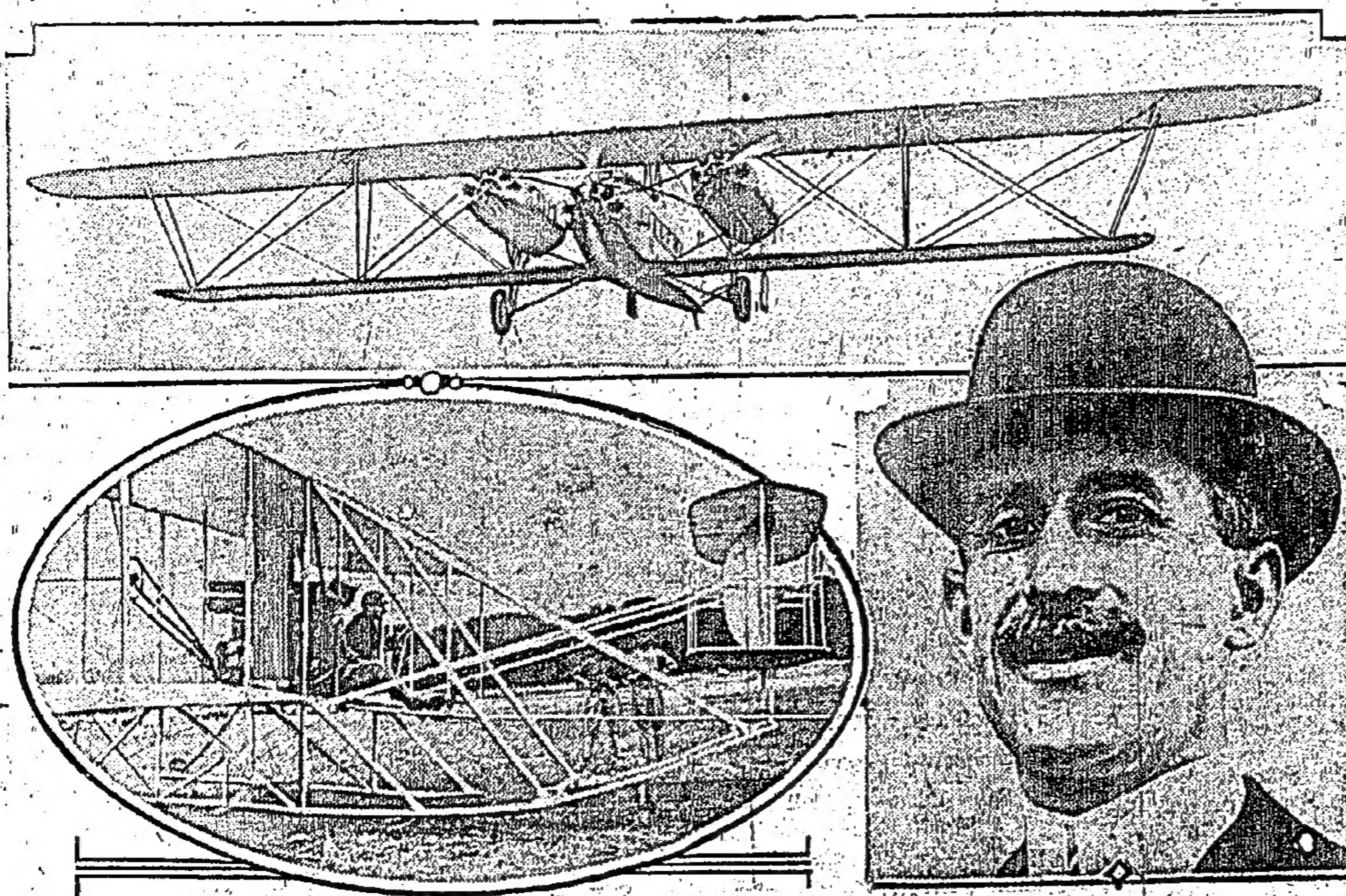
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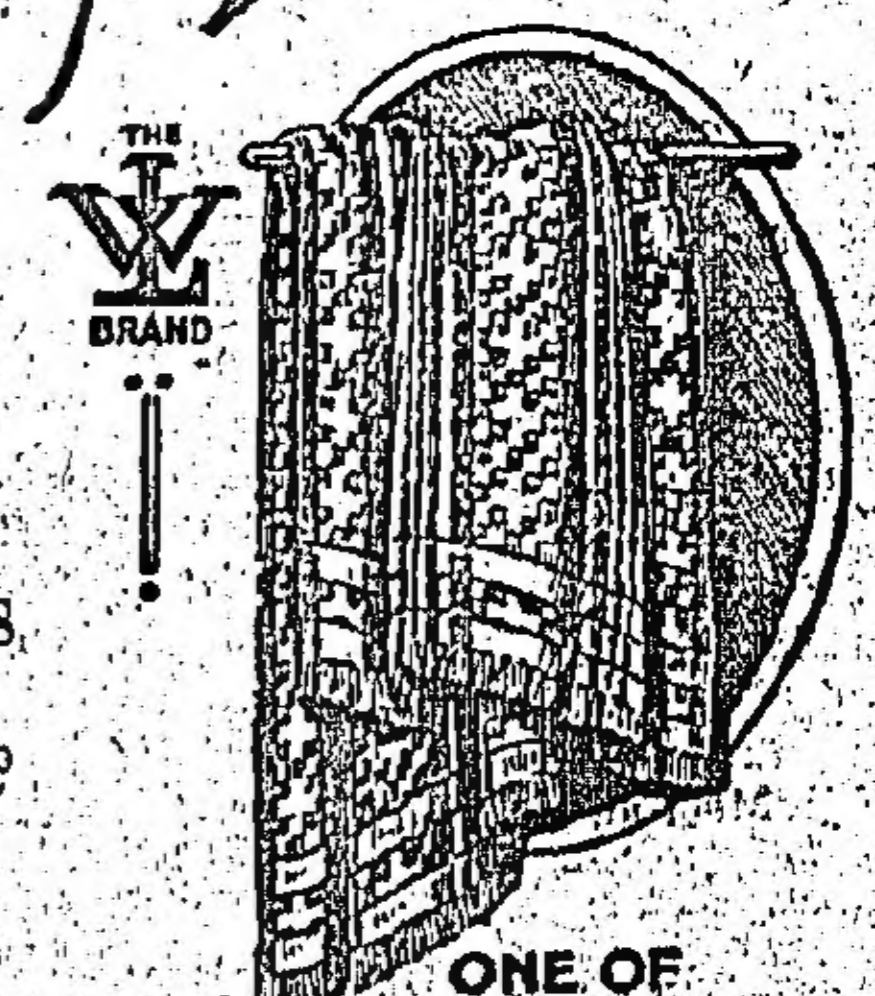
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Monday, the 31st January, 1927, at
11 a.m. for the purpose of receiv-
ing the report of the General
Managers together with a state-
ment of Accounts to 31st Decem-
ber, 1926. The Transfer Books of
the Company will be closed from
the 24th to 31st January, 1927,
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By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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vice, at Hongkong during the
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pany will be held at the Offices of
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Ltd., on THURSDAY, 27th Janu-
ary, 1927, at noon for the purpose
of receiving the Report of the
Directors together with a State-
ment of Accounts for the year
ending 31st December, 1926.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of
the Company will be CLOSED
from Friday, 14th January to
Thursday, 27th January, both days
inclusive, during which period no
transfer of shares can be regis-
tered.

By Order
of the Board of Directors,
L. S. GREENHILL,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 6th January, 1927.

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NOTICE is hereby given that the number of Street Fire Alarms
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| (2) IN QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL | at City Hall |
| (3) IN DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL | at Pedder Street |
| (4) IN DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL | at Man Wa Lane |
| (5) IN DES VOEUX ROAD CENTRAL | at Gilman Bazaar |
| (6) IN WING LOK STREET | at Bonham Strand |
| (7) IN JERVOIS STREET | at Hillier Street |
| (8) IN LOWER ALBERT ROAD | at Wyndham Street |
| (9) IN LINDHURST TERRACE | at Pottinger Street |
| (10) IN HOLLYWOOD ROAD | at Peel Street |
| (11) IN HOLLYWOOD ROAD | at Ladder Street |
| (12) IN HOLLYWOOD ROAD | at Sai Street |
| (13) IN PO YAN STREET | at Tung Wah Hospital |
| (14) IN QUEEN'S ROAD WEST | at Hollywood Road |
| (15) IN DES VOEUX ROAD WEST | at Bonham Strand, West |
| (16) IN DES VOEUX ROAD WEST | at Wilmer Street |
| (17) IN QUEEN'S ROAD WEST | at Eastern Street |
| (18) IN DES VOEUX ROAD WEST | at Western Street |
| (19) IN CATCHICK STREET | at Sands Street |
| (20) IN BELCHER STREET | at Cadogan Street |
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| (22) IN WESTERN STREET | at Second Street |
| (23) IN HIGH STREET | at Centre Street |
| (24) IN BONHAM ROAD | at University |
| (25) IN BONHAM ROAD | at Eastern Street |
| (26) IN CAINE ROAD | at Hospital Road |
| (27) IN STAUNTON STREET | at Sing Wong Street |
| (28) IN CAINE ROAD | at Castle Road |
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KOWLOON.

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| (3) IN NATHAN ROAD | at Gascogne Road |
| (4) IN SHANGHAI STREET | at Jordan Road |
| (5) IN SHANGHAI STREET | at Wing Sing Lane |
| (6) IN SHANGHAI STREET | at Pitt Street |
| (7) IN CANTON ROAD | at Navy Street |
| (8) IN KIMBERLY ROAD | at Carnarvon Road |
| (9) IN CHATHAM ROAD | at Austin Avenue |
| (10) IN CHATHAM ROAD | at Winslow Street |
| (11) IN WU HU STREET | at Taku Street |
| (12) IN KOWLOON CITY ROAD | at Tok Kwa Road |

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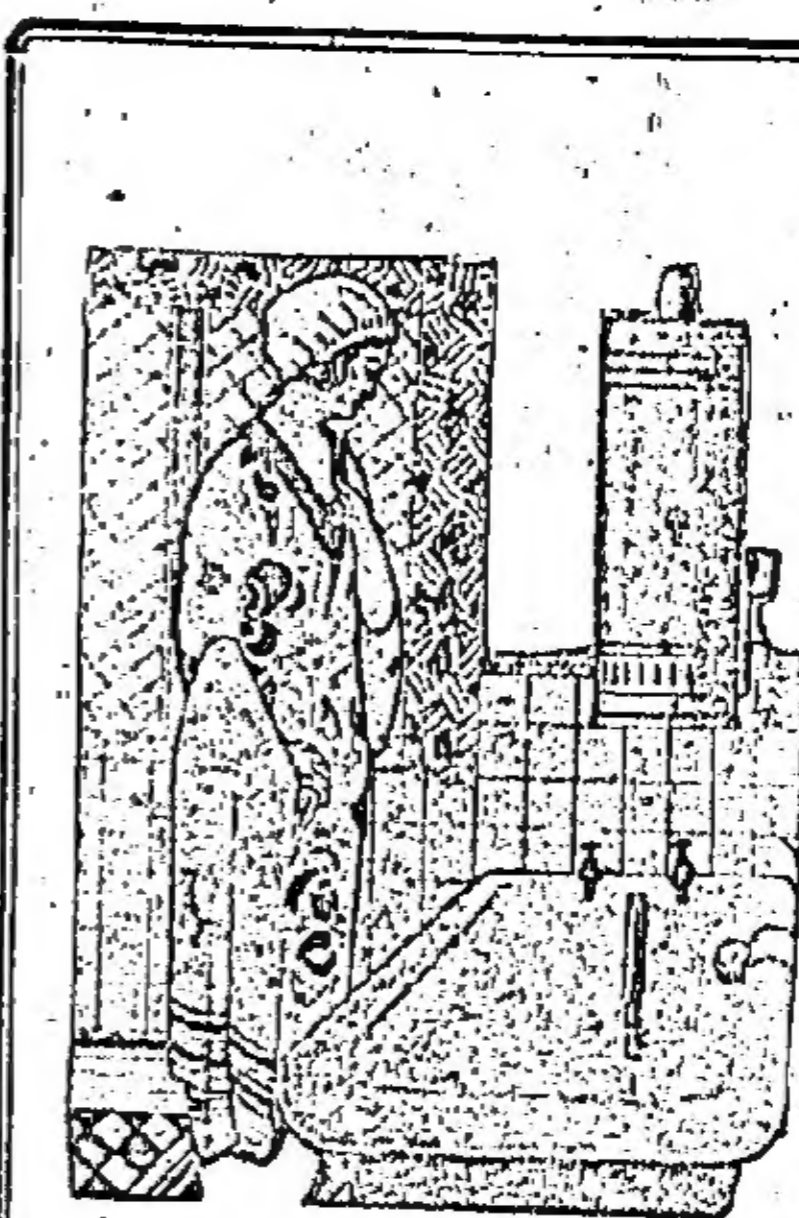
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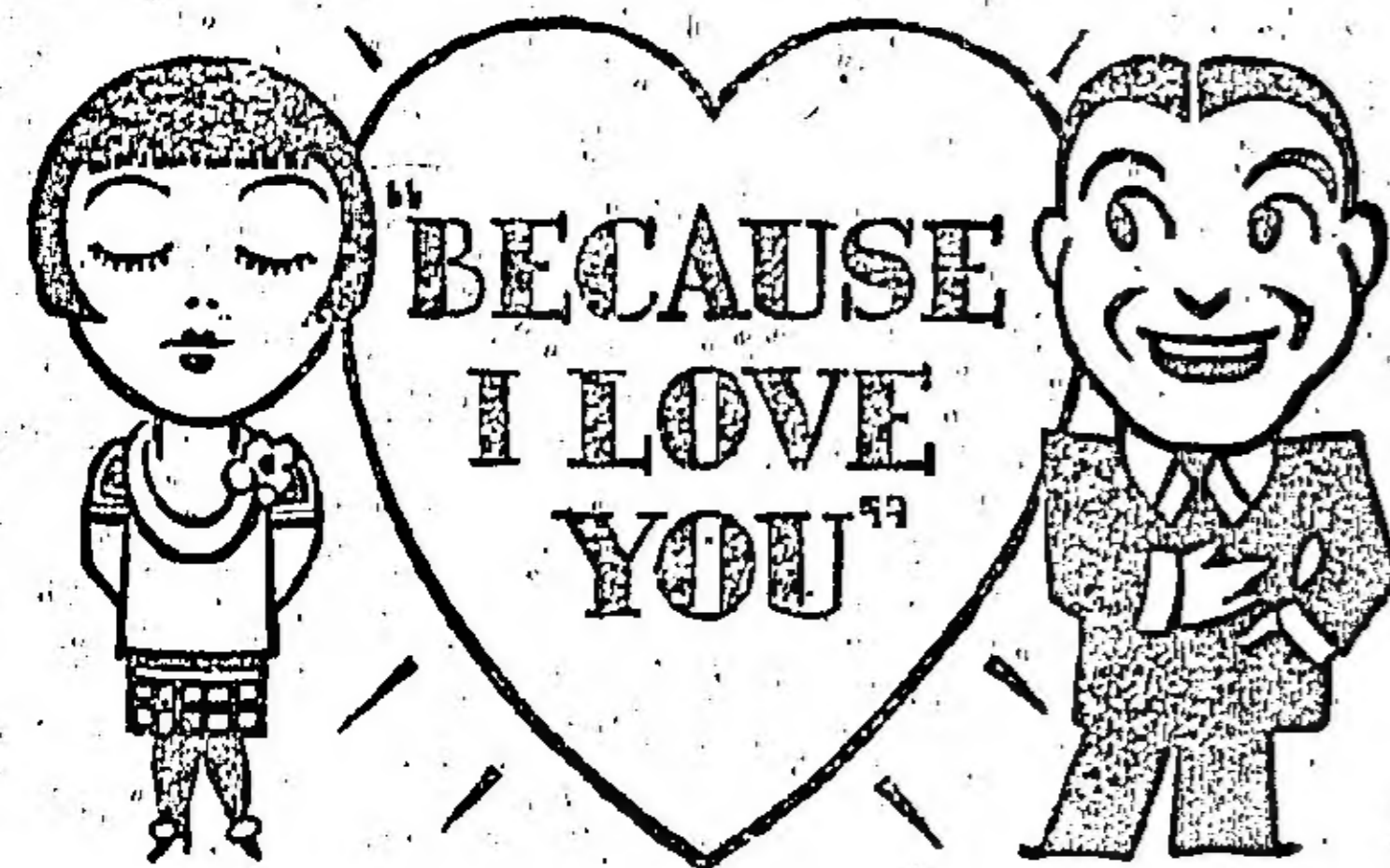
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TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1927.

PROPAGANDA.

In our issue of yesterday, we briefly commented on the censorship of news at Hankow, the object of which is, without doubt, to keep from the outside world any news regarding the situation there which is not to the liking of the Nationalists. Besides the mutilation of Press messages, however, it appears that Mr. O'Malley's despatches have been subjected to considerable delay—another circumstance which shows that the Chinese authorities do not scruple in the methods they adopt to gain their own ends. We may be sure, also that side by side with these activities there is a good deal of Kuomintang propaganda going on and that no effort is being spared to distort the British attitude in the present crisis in China.

We are all acquainted with the Moscow-inspired propaganda which has been disseminated from Canton for a very long time past, and we know that wherever the Nationalist armies have gone the paid agitators of the Kuomintang have been busy traducing the name of Britain and all things British. The Kuomintang has certainly nothing to learn in the sphere of propaganda, thanks to the organisations built up with Russian advice and money, and Britain has suffered much from the deliberate mis-statements which have been broadcast in China during the past year and a half. Unhappily, there has not been much done in the way of counter-propaganda, at any rate here in the South. In Shanghai, we understand, there are several very active organisations which see to it that the other side of the story is told. By means of pamphlets, placards on trams, street orators and other means, the native populace is kept acquainted with facts as they are, and much good work is done in this way to offset the lies circulated by the enemies of the Powers in general and Britain in particular. Britishers generally, we fear, are given rather too much to believing that the justice of their cause will, in most cases, carry its own propaganda, but the time has come when we must realise the power of the printed message and the spoken word in putting our cases before those whom we wish to reach. The newspapers can, and do, accomplish a great deal along these lines, but their efforts need to be supplemented by other agencies when it comes

to getting the truth before the Chinese masses.

To take Hongkong as a case in point, we feel that not nearly enough is done in the way of British propaganda amongst the hundreds of thousands of Chinese who reside in the Colony. The China crisis appears now to be coming to a head, and for that reason it would be well were some organised effort made to keep the native populace fully acquainted with the foreign standpoint. Despite the vigilance of the authorities, it is inevitable that plotters and agitators should be busy in our midst. Is anything, on a large and comprehensive scale, being done to counter their activities and to show to peaceably-minded citizens that they have nothing to fear from any repercussions of the China trouble? Much could be done by the wholesale distribution of pamphlets, in the Chinese language, promptly mailing down the lies circulated by our enemies, and in various other ways. Big developments are taking place just now, and it would be wise and politic were some really organised movement begun to keep the facts, in their true relation to the general situation, well before the eyes of the Chinese masses.

The Liberal Split.

The old Liberal party at Home is getting deeper into the quagmire of a "split" for, according to a British Wireless message yesterday, a new Liberal association is being formed under Viscount Grey and will be composed of all those who do not see eye to eye with Mr. Lloyd George. This is a fatal mistake, we think, and will result in the eclipse of the party as an effective parliamentary force for a long while to come. If one goes right back to the origin of the "split" one finds that long ago, in pre-war days, Mr. Lloyd George was always thought to be a "dangerous" man even by the Liberals whom he so greatly assisted to put back in power. He has always been in the van of the "forward" section of the party, and has not hesitated to criticise everything which, according to his very liberal code, conflicts with what should be the truly progressive trend. He has never been forgiven for "Limehouse" and all his war-time services, great and prodigious as they were, have not succeeded in washing out his past sins of being too liberal. Viscount Grey, has grown old and, perhaps, a little more conservative. And so has Lord Oxford and many other great past Liberals. It is almost a tradition that the Liberal party should lose men as they grow old and less mentally viable, but Mr. Lloyd George seems to be one of those men who has retained all his youthful ardours for reform and so he goes on "blundering" about much to the annoyance of older men who ought to have dropped out. And, as Mr. Lloyd George is very powerful and still leads a large section of the Liberal Party and has lots of funds for political purposes, his former confederates break away and form their own association. They are going to remain Liberals, they say, but they do not want to be in the same company as that arch-Liberal—Lloyd George. That is a vast mistake, for they would be better out of the party. How Liberalism can hope thus to be effective at the polls, we most certainly cannot see.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Jan. 24.
Paris	122 7/16
Brussels	84 1/2
Amsterdam	12 14/16
Berlin	20 3/4
Copenhagen	18 1/2
Vienna	34 3/4
Helsingfors	12 1/2
Lisbon	247 1/2
Buenos Aires	46 7/16
Shanghai	2 1/2
Yokohama	2 1/16
Athens	37 1/2
New York	4 86 5/16
Genoa	25 20
Milan	11 1/2
Stockholm	10 1/2
Prague	10 1/2
Madrid	20 7/16
Rio	51 3/16
Bombay	1 63 3/8
Hongkong	2 7/8
Silver (spot)	20 7/16
Silver (forward)	20 3/16
Gold Wireless	20 3/16

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Dr. Seck Wah-poon, residing at No. 41 A, Bonham Road, to Miss Euen Lan-chan, of No. 1, St. Stephen's Lane.

DAY BY DAY.

WORK, AH! THAT TALESMAN TO GUARD ONE AGAINST ONE'S SELF.—Mrs. Campbell Praed.

Several letters on local school results are unavoidably held over until to-morrow.

The Canadian Pacific Steamships, Ltd., send us an attractive Chinese calendar.

The British vessel Agapenor, from Dairen and Shanghai, reports one case of suspected enteric fever.

While having two lighters in tow, the steam launch, Hopsang, collided with a cargo-boat in the harbour yesterday. No one was injured.

The health return for yesterday shows three cases of small-pox and one each of typhoid and cerebro-spinal fever. All were Chinese.

The only cases of notifiable disease reported last week were four of typhoid fever, all non-fatal. The sufferers were two Chinese, a Portuguese and an Indian.

A Chinese telegram received here from Shanghai this morning states that the employees of the Wing On Company and the Lai Wah Company have resumed work.

The Royal Observatory reports that the monsoon will freshen again along the coast and over the North China Sea. The local forecast up till noon to-morrow is: "North-east winds, fresh; cloudy."

During the twenty-four hours ending at nine o'clock this morning, nine ships arrived and eleven departed, the British figures being four and three respectively. The total number of ships in harbour was sixty-two.

Emerging from a lane yesterday, a scavenging motor-lorry was run into by a jolly belonging to Messrs. A. S. Watson and Company. The former lorry was struck squarely and substantial damage was caused to the vehicle.

On his forthcoming return from leave, Mr. W. G. Fitzgibbon, First Clerk in the Colonial Secretariat, is to be transferred permanently to the post of Secretary, P.W.D., which position he held for eighteen months before proceeding Home.

Resealing of probate of the will of Mr. Andrew Burman, formerly of Shanghai, who died at Chelston, Torquay, on October 28th, 1925, has been granted to Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, of Messrs. Johnson-Stokes and Master. The late Mr. Burman left an estate of £43,743.5.6. in the United Kingdom, while his Hongkong estate amounted to \$17,790.

The various police stations were warned this morning in connection with an armed robbery which occurred, at half-past ten o'clock, in Chee Wo Street Yau-mat. Police officers are working on the case, and the only details available are to the effect that the robbers succeeded in escaping after holding up the inmates of the house, and stealing a quantity of property.

U. S. SUSPICIOUS.

GOLD BULLION SHIPMENTS FROM FRANCE.

New York, Jan. 24. A twenty million dollar shipment of bullion arrived from France on Saturday, following closely the arrival of a four million dollar consignment earlier in the week.

The latter shipment was the first since the war and in some quarters the opinion is held that this is the initial step in an attempt by France to return to the gold standard without a Franco-American debt settlement and without revalorisation of the franc.

It is now announced that the bullion shipment from France was not one of twenty million dollars, but of \$4,200,000.—Reuter.

Shanghai, Jan. 24. Though the bus employees struck a few days ago through fear of molestation by the tramway men, it is reported that they are now arranging to present demands to the management.

The tramway men returned to work this morning, and the service is gradually getting back to normal.—Reuter.

PRIZE DAY.

MR. A. E. WOOD ON CHINESE STUDIES.

Although the school has only been in existence for about a year, the first annual report of the Government Vernacular School, which was read at the prize distribution this morning, shows that it is being extremely well supported, and is making good progress. The prizes were distributed by the Director of Education, Mr. A. E. Wood, and the school, which is situated just below King's College, in the western district, was gaily decked out with flags and flowers. There was a large attendance of those interested in Chinese educational matters, including the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, Dr. S. W. Tao, Mr. Fung Ping-shan, and Mr. Li Yau-chuen.

THE REPORT.

The report of the Head Master was as follows:—It may be needless for me to point out that the establishment of this school has been for the advancement of Chinese education in the Colony, as such a need has been realized by the Government and the Chinese community. The great interest taken in its establishment may be instanced by the careful consideration of its syllabus by the Board of Education, and by a special committee headed by the Director of Education and consisting of some members of the Board, and the two Chinese members of the Legislative Council.

The first Entrance Examination was held in the Hall of Ellis Kadoorie School on March 4th and 5th, attended by 404 candidates, a rather encouraging number including some 80 students of the Confucian Middle School. For the benefit of sharing the same staff the Vernacular Normal School for Men, founded by the Government in 1921, was merged into the Middle School. Subsequently, at its commencement of work on March 6th the school comprised the Middle School Division, the Normal Division, and the Higher Primary Division, amounting to a total of 142 students on roll.

FUTURE HOPES.

One of the chief objects of the Middle School division is to prepare students for the newly-organized Chinese Department of the University, which, if it meets with sufficient financial support, will develop into a Chinese Faculty. The maximum enrolment of the year was 150, and average attendance 138.88, including the attendance of 28 students who have never been absent for a day.

During the first half of the year, the staff, in combination with that of the Normal School, consisted of three Arts graduates, two holders of the Chinese doctorate degree, one Chinese, three trained teachers, and four assistant masters. Owing to the difficulty of getting suitable teachers at short notice in March, seven members of the staff were in part-time service. But at present five of these part-time posts have been converted into three full-time posts. The school has lost a great deal by the resignation of Dr. Au Tai Tin at the end of the year in order to take up a new appointment at the University.

From March to July the school was temporarily housed in three places—the Middle School Division in Ellis Kadoorie School, the Normal Division in Nos. 9 and 10, Wing Wah Terrace, and the Higher Primary Division in the temple opposite the back gate of Ellis Kadoorie School. In September the school was removed to its present premises where the matchless was demolished to make room for a covered playground. A word of thanks should be given here for the readiness and generosity of the Head of Ellis Kadoorie School, Mr. D. J. de Rome, in meeting our needs with regard to temporary use of class rooms and school furniture. The school is no less indebted to the Council of the Confucian Middle School for their generosity in transferring to us their library, science apparatus and school furniture.

GENEROUS GIFTS.

Messrs. Fung Ping Shan and Li Yik Mui have been appointed by the Government in conjunction with Dr. S. W. Tao and Dr. Wan Man Kai, members of the Education Board as "Hok Tung" of the school. Their keen interest taken in the school has been much appreciated. In the name of a body of Chinese gentlemen interested in our school, Messrs. Fung Ping Shan and Li Yik Mui generously offered to contribute \$1,500 towards the first year's expenses and also free scholarships of \$30 each annually (being \$24 for fees and \$6 for books) to a maximum of 50 scholarships every year.

While housed in three separate places the school experienced some difficulty in keeping discipline, but in the second half of the year, discipline improved and better supervision became possible.

With regard to studies special progress has been made in Confucian ethics. Literary taste in Chinese has been cultivated especially in the Normal Division, but both written and spoken English leaves much room for improvement. The school had the honour of being inspected by H.E. the Governor and the Director of Education on March 22nd and by the Director of Education on March 4th and 5th and September 23rd. In December four normal students sat for their final examination conducted by a Government Examiner, and two were successful.

SPORTS.

Of school sports football, volleyball and ping-pong are the most popular. Basketball and swimming are

also encouraged. Owing to the lack of a proper playground we regret to say that we cannot develop our games as we should wish. However, we have now put up three teams, namely, football, volleyball and basketball. Many friendly matches were played with other schools, and sometimes we were lucky enough to become winners. A ping-pong tournament was held in December inside the school with very keen competition. We had four places in the year—one to Shatin, one to Castle Peak Bay, one to Tai-po, and one to Kowloon City. On each occasion over 100 students joined.

The health of the school has been gratifying on the whole. All the nine classrooms of the school are now occupied, and we look forward hopefully to a successful future.

MR. WOOD'S SPEECH.

Prior to handing this many and varied prizes to the successful scholars, Mr. Wood said:—Mr. Li King-hong, gentlemen, and students—It gives me great pleasure to come here to-day to present the prizes at this, the first prize giving of the Vernacular Middle School. As the Headmaster has already explained to you, the school includes not only Middle School classes but also a Normal Division and a Higher Primary division.

OBJECTS OF SCHOOL.

The object of the school is threefold: It hopes to turn out young men equipped for a business life with a sound education in which Chinese studies have played the principal part, but practical teaching of English has not been neglected. Secondly, it aims at producing good Chinese teachers for Vernacular Schools, and thirdly, it hopes to educate students in such a manner that they will be able to pass on to the University where they will specialise in the study of Chinese language, literature, history and philosophy. This is not the place to talk about the possibilities of establishing a Chinese Faculty in the University, but I should like to take this opportunity of saying how much we, who are interested in this school, look forward to the establishment of such a Faculty.

THE OLD AND NEW.

It seems to me that we should be careful not to let slip any opportunity, that we here in Hongkong may have, to preserve and perpetuate the tradition of profound Chinese scholarship, and yet not to sacrifice the modern spirit of research, but to combine in a happy degree the old culture with newer comparative methods. It is obvious that with such specialisation in view of the ordinary Matriculation requirements would have to be modified, and accordingly a special Matriculation Syllabus has been drawn up and approved by the University authorities. In this syllabus the English language, and subjects taught in English, have an important though not a paramount place.

In connection with the teaching of English, it is very desirable that part of the instruction should be given by a teacher whose mother tongue is English, and I hope that it will always be possible to make provision accordingly. I am very pleased to have this occasion of thanking publicly Mr. Fung Ping Shan and Mr. Li Yik Mui and through them a body of gentlemen known to us as the pan hok tun, for the generous financial help they have given to this school. Mr. Fung and Mr. Li have shown an untiring interest in its welfare.

HEADMASTER COMPLIMENTED.

As you have heard from the Headmaster they have been associated with Dr. S. W. Tao and Dr. Wan Man Kai in a Government appointment designed to further the interests of the school, and to all these four gentlemen I wish to express my hearty thanks for their co-operation. I should like also to say a word of appreciation of the work of the Headmaster, Mr. Li King-hong, who has admirably contended with the difficulties of setting a new institution on its feet, a task in which his staff has loyally supported him.

I remember that in 1924 when I was in the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, my old friend Dr. Kotewall, discussed with me the possibility of starting a Government Chinese middle school in Hongkong. Little did I think then that within three years I should have the privilege which is mine to-day of being present at the first prize giving of such a school as this. The response of the public, indicated by the large number of applications for admission, is gratifying. I shall not detain you longer, but conclude by wishing teachers and pupils a pleasant holiday and a new strenuous year of successful effort.

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THE CHINESE STUDENT.

DR. LIM BOON-KEN'S VIEWS.

That well-known Chinese educationist, Dr. Lim Boon-ken, has just passed through Hongkong on his return to Singapore to spend the Chinese New Year holidays with his family, and in an interview accorded to a *Telegraph* reporter just before he sailed at noon to-day on the B. I. Takada, he made some interesting pronouncements in connection with the recent anti-Christian riots at Fukien ports.

When Dr. Lim left Amoy, where he is Principal of the University, last week, the situation had quietened down, and there was no strong manifestation of anti-foreign feeling, except for a rather noisy demonstration staged before the Roman Catholic Church which was instantly dispersed by the local police, who are, he said, efficiently maintaining law and order in that city. That the ridiculous charges levelled against the missionaries were realised at their true value was evident by Dr. Lim in the information that the Amoy authorities, soon after the outbreaks at Foochow, put up public proclamations against the spreading of these false rumours. "No respectable Chinese people believe this nonsense," continued Dr. Lim, "and speaking as an ordinary man of common-sense, I do not for a moment believe that a Catholic Mission, or any other Mission for that matter, would do such things. The people in Amoy do not believe these reports, which are due to political propaganda."

Of course, Dr. Lim went on to say, there had been charges of a political and non-religious character against missionaries in China, but that was "old history," and opportunity had only been taken to bring these charges into prominence during this period of anti-foreign feeling.

Those who were in real touch with the true state of affairs, possessed that natural dislike to come out with their views, and as they form the majority, whose views would have been accepted, the situation suffered that much from their abstention, and was correspondingly weakened.

Asked his opinions on the value of the average Chinese student and how he stood vis-a-vis the present situation, Dr. Lim said that, essentially, the Chinese student was a patriot. That much had to be borne in the mind in all points of contact with him. He was peaceable and generally not given to violence, and if this was properly understood by foreigners, much of the recent troubles occurring in all parts of China could have been avoided, or at least minimised.

The Chinese student had always been inarticulate, and within recent years, failing to get those in authority to act for them, had been striving, although with great unwisdom, to take matters into his own hands and attempt to make foreigners realise the injustice of the situation. The students had been repressed by the Chinese military on the one hand and on the other by possessing no share in the direction of the foreign policies of the country. To make the best of their very limited facilities, they resorted to have recourse to parades and processions. Those taking part in these functions did not carry arms, and could be as orderly as my parade in European or American cities.

Not until they were interfered with did they become violent. A page in diplomacy could have been taken from the action of the British Consul in Amoy last year, when he took the trouble to ascertain the wishes of the students through the local Chinese officials and Chinese community, and in that way so brought about matters that it was a very peaceful procession that was held afterwards. The same arrangements figured into a recent procession at Shanghai. These two events showed how much could be accomplished with the expenditure of a little tact and sympathy, added Dr. Lim.

Lower decks' flag day and naval pageant, held at Portsmouth, realised £2,425 for the Trafalgar Orphan Fund—£312 more than last year.

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FOOCHOW RIOTS.

HOW TROUBLE CAME TO HEAD.

THE CAUSES ANALYSED.

Before the recent anti-Christian outbreaks in Fukien have lost their full significance by merging into the general political situation of the country, it will not be out of place to retrace, briefly, the course of developments, in order that a truer understanding may be obtained of the causes and effects.

Whilst dismissing, once, and for all, the charges of inhuman cruelty which are too ridiculous to be given a moment's attention, but regarding which the purposes of the extremists are only too apparent, it will be of interest to look into the missionary history of Fukien province—accepting it as typically illustrative of other provinces of China—and to discover what both missionaries and natives have to say of it.

RELIGIOUS ACTIVITY.

It is a fact, attested to by records, that the Dominicans were amongst the first religious workers to enter China, where they later consolidated their activities in the province of Fukien, carrying out pioneer work which is now almost wholly destroyed. At a time when, we are informed, was contemporaneous with the travels of Marco Polo, the Dominicans already had this work well-established in Fukien. They made many converts and caused a number of religious and educational institutions to come into existence—a central Mission headquarters building, a Seminary for the initiation of native clergymen, a College for boys, a similar one for girls, churches and chapels, and, last, but not least, a Convent where the charitable side of their work was expanded. For the purposes of "field work," the province was conveniently divided into ecclesiastical areas, the whole organisation, in so far as it concerned Fukien, being placed under the control of a Bishop, who at present is Monsignor Aguirre and who has his See at Foochow. American and French Missionaries of the same Order, although occupying different Mission headquarters, later had their work incorporated and consolidated into this provincial scheme.

The foregoing will serve to reveal the thorough and composite nature of missionary work as it is doubtless carried out in other parts of China as well, although with modifications of a fundamental character as in the case of non-Catholic societies.

THE PROPAGANDIST.

Despite the excellent educational and charitable work carried out, agitators have been busy claiming that although missionaries are not identified with interests of commercial nature, they are spies and agents for their respective Governments. Propaganda of the nature, spread by members of the "Political Dissemination, Dare-to-Die Corps"—now an established institution functioning with the military arm of the Nationalist Government—has been incorporated in its political diplomacy. This is shown by the revelations of Father Garcia, one of the Dominican Fathers who has just arrived in this Colony. A Christian worker, long established in the country, he was within hearing distance of a meeting held just before the recent outbreaks in one of the religious buildings commandeered for the purpose by the military forces of General Ho. At this meeting, Father Garcia heard the presiding officer remark:—"We Chinese people have endured and suffered much from foreigners, and almost all our troubles have been due to missionaries. It is time that we rid ourselves of this traditional fear of the 'Western devil' and show a determined attitude in all our dealings with him. As a first step to bring about this united front, we must drive out all the missionaries and take back the educational arm. Until we have done all this, there will be no real peace in the country."

LYING STORIES.

In the light thrown by this and other meetings subsequently held at Foochow, the incidents that resulted a few days later, however they may be distorted, can easily be understood. The purpose of the agitators has been revealed in the lying stories spread amongst ignorant countrymen regarding the deaths of babies at the Convent, and in the diabolical plan of capturing and forcing the missionaries to take part in a parade through the streets, at which each would be

CANTON NEWS.

ELECTION OF NEW COMMISSIONERS.

Like the radical faction created disturbances during the election of Canton City Kuomintang Commissioners, General Li Chai-sun has ordered a battalion of troops to protect the City Party Headquarters, on the East Bund.

Like the recent election of Provincial Commissioners, three groups of Kuomintang leaders are at present struggling in the coming City election. These factions are the moderates, the Lefts and the extreme Lefts. General Li Chai-sun, the former military leader in Canton, is leading the moderate faction.

Large numbers of military coolies who were recruited in Kwangtung at the beginning of the Northern Expedition, are returning from the North owing to the cold weather there, which had caused the death of a number of the Cantonese coolies. Many of these coolies were strikers from Hongkong and Shameen.

As already reported, the remnants of the Chan Kwing-ming and Lam Fu armies are again causing much trouble on the Kwangtung-Kiangsi borders and along the upper East River. Some of these men are approaching Hoiyen and another group threatens Yungyuan district. The magistrates of these districts have wired to Canton for help.

INDUSTRIAL CENSUS.

BRITISH FIGURES EXPECTED SOON.

London, Jan. 24.

Britain's industrial census, begun in February 1925, is practically completed, and the Board of Trade expect to be able to publish the first results in a few days.

The census relates to the year 1924. It will enable the public to see what percentage of "net output value" goes to labour and how much to the employer. "Net output value" is an economic term invented by the Board of Trade and is the gross or selling value at the factory door of a manufacturer's production, less cost of materials. In other words, it is the value added by capital and labour.

The inquiry will show the relative importance of the home and foreign markets, and whether an industry is advancing or going back.—*British Wireless*.

MEXICAN OIL LAWS.

TEMPORARY PROTECTION FOR COMPANIES.

Mexico City, Jan. 24.

The various District Courts which have rendered decisions in the so-called "Amparo" suits filed by the oil companies, have refused to grant permanently restraining orders against the operation of the oil laws, but have granted temporary orders protecting specific pieces of property. About a hundred Amparos, or temporary protection certificates, have been filed against certain provisions of the law.

Pending appeals to higher courts, the companies remain in possession of their properties, although they are reported to be restricting operations.—*Reuter*.

EARTHQUAKE IN SCOTLAND.

ALARM OVER A WIDE AREA.

London, Jan. 24.

Earthquake shocks were experienced at five o'clock this morning over a wide area in north-east Scotland, including Aberdeen, Elgin, Ballater and the Orkney and Shetland Islands.

The tremors lasted from twenty seconds to a minute and a half. Houses in all the places affected, were shaken and some alarm was caused. No damage, however, is reported beyond the smashing of crockery, which was thrown to the floor.—*British Wireless*.

made to carry a dead baby in his or her arms. For the full accomplishment of this purpose, mob passions, such as can be easily raised in China, are adroitly utilised by the leaders of the Nationalist movement, so that the wave of anti-foreign hatred may be spread.

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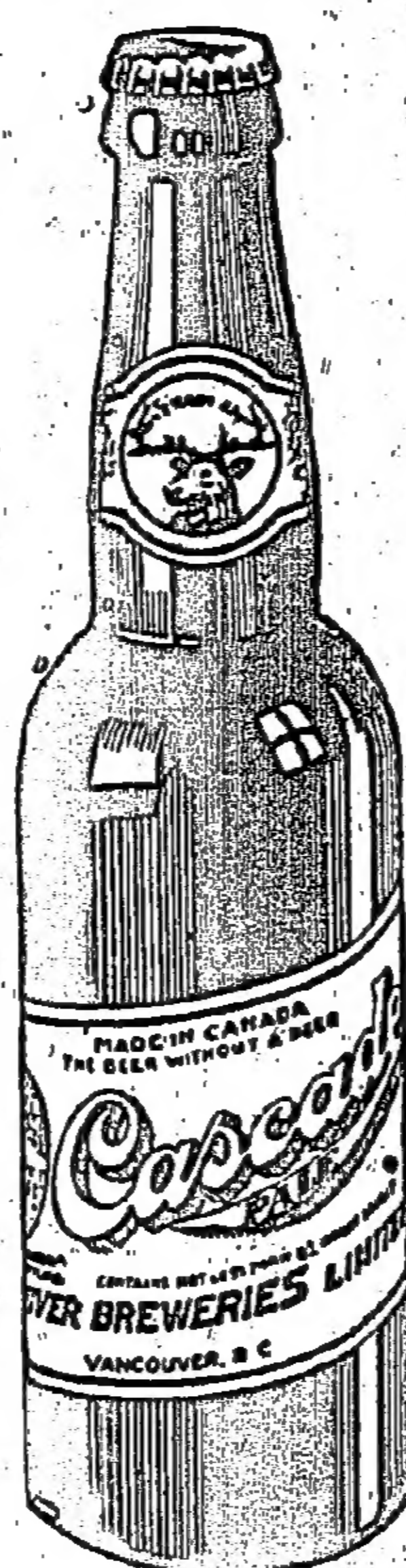
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LAW OF BORROWING.

LOCAL RENT COLLECTOR'S FONDNESS OF SHOW.

"Making the police collect a civil debt is a practice to be frowned on," said Mr. C.A.S. Russ at the Central Magistracy yesterday in a case in which a man and woman were charged with obtaining money and jewellery by false pretences.

The complainant said defendants borrowed from her \$150 in money and also some jewellery, saying that they wanted the latter to make a show at the wedding of a cousin.

Witness stated that she was told the jewellery would be returned the same day as it was borrowed. When she found that it had not been returned she made a search for the defendants and after waiting for several hours informed the police. The male defendant was a rent collector.

She then learned that the defendants had gone to Singapore and after they had been detained there she went to the Straits to identify them. In the course of her evidence witness said that when she first made a complaint to the police she was told that 24 hours must elapse before information could be given. Three other witnesses bore out the woman's story.

No False Pretence.

Mr. Russ, defending, suggested that criminal proceedings had been taken in order to enforce a civil debt. If a person borrowed money and then went away, possibly with the best of reasons, there was no crime. In the present case there was not the slightest evidence of "false pretences."

A promise to pay in the future was not an offence. If it was, then all the optimists would be in jail and all the pessimists would be free. The world would be a most unhappy place to live in.

Mr. Russ contended that the case was one for the Summary Court, certainly not one for a criminal court. It was also obvious that the evidence had been carefully prepared.

Without hearing the evidence in another similar charge against the defendants Mr. Schofield discharged them.

ART EXHIBITION.

TO BE OPENED BY LADY CLEMENTI.

The exhibition of work by Miss H. M. Gordon, the well known artist will be opened on Thursday at Messrs. Lane Crawford's. The ceremony will be performed by Lady Clementi at 11 a.m.

Miss Gordon recently made an extensive tour in Northern India in pursuit of her art where she was the guest of His Highness the Maharaja of Patiala and the Maharaja of Dhar.

Among her pictures there is one of a street in Ley and another of a girl of Simla which reveal Miss Gordon's penchant for colour and movement. It is not surprising therefore, that although she came under the spell of Kashmir, she found parts of Central India more inspiring in her art, with their riot of colour and throbbing life.

Miss Gordon knows the East in many moods. She was in Turkey when Smyrna was reduced to ashes, in Jerusalem after the Allies entered the Holy City and in Constantinople when the Allies ordered the womenfolk to leave.

One of her pictures of Jerusalem affords a cameo of life and gains additional value by the fact that the artist had to seek safety in an underground cellar before it was finished, the bazaar where she was becoming the scene of a massacre.

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MR. PERCEVAL LONDON.

London, Jan. 24.

The death is announced of Mr. Perceval London.—*Reuter*

Mr. Perceval London, barrister-at-law, special correspondent, dramatist and author, was born March 29, 1869, son of the Reverend Edward Henry London. He was educated at Hertford College, Oxford, where he won his B.A. in 1893. He was called to the bar, Inner Temple, in 1895. From 1899 to 1900 he was special correspondent to the *Times* during the South African war. In the latter year he was made private secretary to the Governor of New South Wales. In a journalist capacity he covered the Delhi Durbar for the *Daily Mail*, and was also correspondent for them in China, Japan and Siberia in 1903. In the latter year he was correspondent for the *Times* during the Lhasa expedition and for the *Daily Telegraph* during the visit of the Prince of Wales to India, 1905-1906; in Persia, India and Nepal in 1908; Russian Turkestan in 1909; in Egypt and the Sudan in 1910; and the Delhi Durbar of 1911.

During the Great War he was with the British and French lines in 1914-1915 and with the Italian lines in 1917. He attended the Peace Conference in 1919, and has been actively engaged in journalistic work in many foreign countries ever since, attending the Prince of Wales's tour in 1921-1922. He was the author of several books of travel.

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MALAYA'S FLOODS.

HEAVY DAMAGE AND MANY DEATHS.

Singapore, Jan. 24.

The Government is continuing to assist refugees, who have lost their all in the disastrous recent floods in Malaya.

Public relief funds are mounting daily. It is not yet possible to ascertain the total death-roll or damage, but it is officially estimated that there have been over 30 fatalities in the state of Kelantan, where 300,000 head of cattle perished, and the damage to rice crops is \$400,000.

Traders' losses in one town totalled \$300,000.

The death-roll in Perak is estimated at 24.—*Reuter*.



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COMING EAST.

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COLDSTREAM GUARDS.

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The Commanding Officer of the 2nd Battalion is Lieut.-Col. P. R. B. Lawrence, M.C., and the following are the senior officers: Majors The Viscount Marsham, and C. J. M. Riley, M.C., and Captains O. W. H. Lesse, D.S.O., M. F. Trew, R. V. Martyn, The Lord Bligham, M.C., and A. B. C. Reynolds.

THE BEDS. AND BERTS.

The Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Regiment.—The 1st Battalion is the old 16th. Foot, and the Regimental Badge is the United Red and White Rose. During the Great War the Regiment raised 18 Battalions.

The Commanding Officer of the 1st Battalion is Lieut.-Col. J. P. Tredennick, D.S.O., O.B.E., and the following are the senior officers: Majors A. D. Gaye and W. W. Wagstaff, and Captains H. B. Dawes, M.C., R. B. L. Hatch, M.C., L. H. G. Andrews, W. E. Calbeck, E. S. C. Grune, H. E. Carey, D. R. Thomas, M.C., J. C. Preston, M.B.E., L. H. Kitton, M.B.E., M.C., G. A. Anster, M.C., and C. M. Atkinson.

DEVONSHIRE REGIMENT.

The Devonshire Regiment.—The 1st Battalion is the old 11th Foot, and the Regimental Badge is the Castle of Exeter with the motto: "Semper Fidelis." During the Great War the Regiment raised 25 Battalions.

The Commanding Officer of the 1st Battalion is Lieut.-Col. G. N. T. Smyth-Osbourne, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., and the following are the senior officers: Majors W. E. Seafe, C.M.G., D.S.O., M. I. G. Jenkins, D.S.O., P. R. Worrall, D.S.O., M.C., A. P. Northcote, D.S.O., and Captains T. E. M. Battersby, C. C. Haynes, A. H. Cope, D.S.O., E. G. Roberts, W. Booker, W. L. Sparkes, D. A. Bullock, and E. D. Corkery, M.C.

GLOUCESTER REGIMENT.

The Gloucestershire Regiment.—The 2nd Battalion is the old 61st Foot, and the Regimental Badge is the Sphinx superscribed "Egypt." During the Great War the Regiment raised 24 Battalions.

The Commanding Officer of the 2nd Battalion is Lieut.-Col. R. Wilkinson, D.S.O., and the following are the senior officers: Majors T. J. D. McMahon, A. F. Chapman, T. N. Binen, D.S.O., and Captains R. J. Guild, D.S.O., R. P. Power, O.B.E., L. H. Cox, M.C., R. M. Grazebrook, O.B.E., M.C., G. E. Mirehouse, L. C. Evans, E. B. Pope, D.S.O. and C. E. K. Bagot, M.C.

THE DURHAMS.

The Durham Light Infantry. The 2nd Battalion is the old 106th.

SUNNING LEGAL ARGUMENT.

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aided and abetted. They might have had the common purpose of committing the simple act of piracy, but not of endangering life. Some have been identified as men who took part in the ransacking of the ship, but certainly not that they did anything to endanger life.

Mr. Sheldon submitted that his Lordship must hold that the acts of violence were not committed with a common design.

His Lordship:—You have not found any case in which a man was struck down during the commission of an offence.

Mr. Sheldon:—No.

MR. NIBHILL REPLIES.

Mr. J. H. B. Nichill, replying for the Crown, said that his submissions on the evidence in respect of Nos. 7, 8, 9, and 14, were dependent on his Lordship's decision regarding the law, and he would therefore deal first with the doctrine of common purpose. He submitted that the doctrine could be made to fit the facts in the present case.

Quoting from Russell, he said that in the first place there must be community of purpose, but if any felony was committed in the commission of another unlawful act, and if the gang should have known that it was probable that it would happen, then all were guilty.

In the case before them, were there several persons engaged in the pursuit of a common unlawful enterprise? Of course, there were. And a large number were armed with loaded lethal weapons.

Were they to expect that resistance was likely to be put up? The leaders must have known that it was not improbable. The enterprise was sufficiently dangerous. No jury could find, Mr. Nichill submitted, that a gang of armed men would be surprised if they attacked a ship and met with resistance.

Australia is adopting the English system of non-political chartered accountants as bank examiners, replacing the existing Bank Commission.

Foot and the Regimental Badge is the United Red and White Rose. During the Great War the Regiment raised 37 Battalions.

The Commanding Officer of the 2nd Battalion is Lieut.-Col. J. W. Jeffers, D.S.O., and the following are the senior officers: Majors A. W. B. Wallace, G. F. Hudson-Kinahan, C.B.E., H. J. Taylor, D.S.O., and Captains A. G. de Burgh, E. H. L. Lyaght-Griffin, O.B.E., C. W. Beart, M.C., A. Harwood, J. E. S. Percy, M.C., G. M. J. Barrington, W. N. Davenport, M. M. Hutchinson and F. Hall.

PACK BATTERY.

The 12th British Pack Battery which is to be included in the contingent from India is commanded by Major J. L. Forbes, D.S.O., M.C.

CORRESPONDENCE.

SCHOOL RESULTS.

[To the Editor of the Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—In the correspondence column of your invaluable paper many letters have been published about school results. I hope you will allow me to add a few words. "Pro-education" and "Fairness" claim honour for the Sacred Heart School for full percentage of passes in the Matriculation Examination and mention nothing about the result of Wah Yan, but "Render Unto Caesar" and "Most Fair" claim honour for Wah Yan and sympathise with and express surprise at the 100% failures of the Sacred Heart in the Junior Local.

I wonder why they don't sympathise with and express surprise at the 100% failures of Wah Yan College in the last Senior Local Examination?

I think it is useless for them to criticise the results in the paper and do what they can for the school which they think deserves their help.—Yours, etc.

A RETIRED SCHOOL MASTER.
Hongkong, January 24, 1927.

Sir,—In refutation of the seemingly fair and sound yet lop-sided argument advanced by "Most Fair" in his letter in your esteemed issue of Saturday, I should esteem it a great favour if you would again spare me a little space in your columns that I may point out to "Most Fair" that he is not justified in saying that I do not seem to have expressed my hearty sympathy with the Sacred Heart School's 100% failures in the Junior Local Examination. Does he mean to say that in commending the merits of others, one must at the same time make known to the public their demerits? If he does, will he join me when I express my hearty sympathy with Wah Yan's 100% failures in the Senior Local Examination? I think "Most Fair" will not like to do so.—Yours, etc.

FAIRNESS.
Hongkong, January 25, 1927.

PRIZE DAY.

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Mr. Wood's speech was then translated into Chinese by Mr. Y. P. Law, Inspector of Vernacular Schools.

Speeches in Chinese were delivered by Dr. Tso, Mr. Fung Ping-shan, and the Hon. Mr. Kotewall.

Mr. Fung Ping-shan said it was three years ago that the question of the school was represented to the Government, and they were indebted for its institution to Sir Edward Stubbs, Mr. G. N. Orme, and Mr. A. E. Wood.

Mr. Kotewall remarked they also ought to be grateful to His Excellency, Sir Cecil Clementi, and Sir Shouson Chow. The former, immediately on his arrival, took up the matter with vigour, going to the length of deciding its curriculum. When Sir Shouson Chow returned from England he also gave his support. They were fortunate to have two Chinese scholars such as His Excellency and Mr. Wood to help in the school work.

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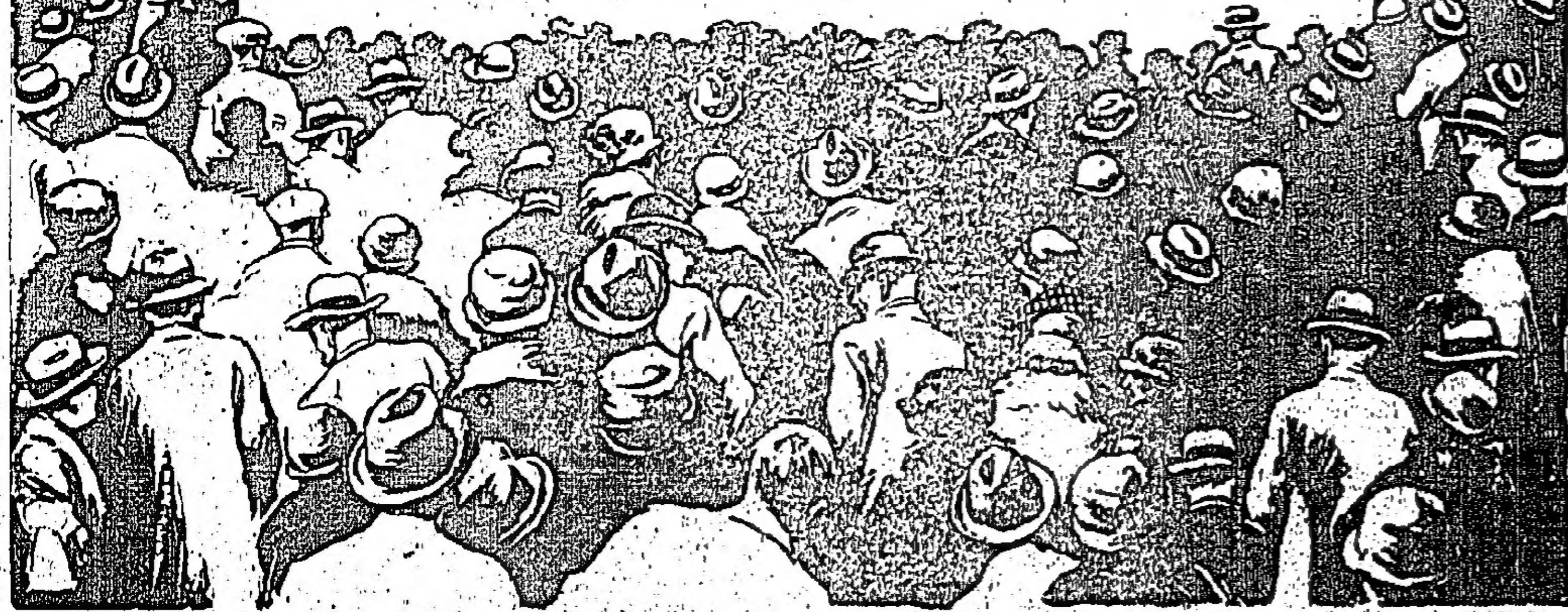
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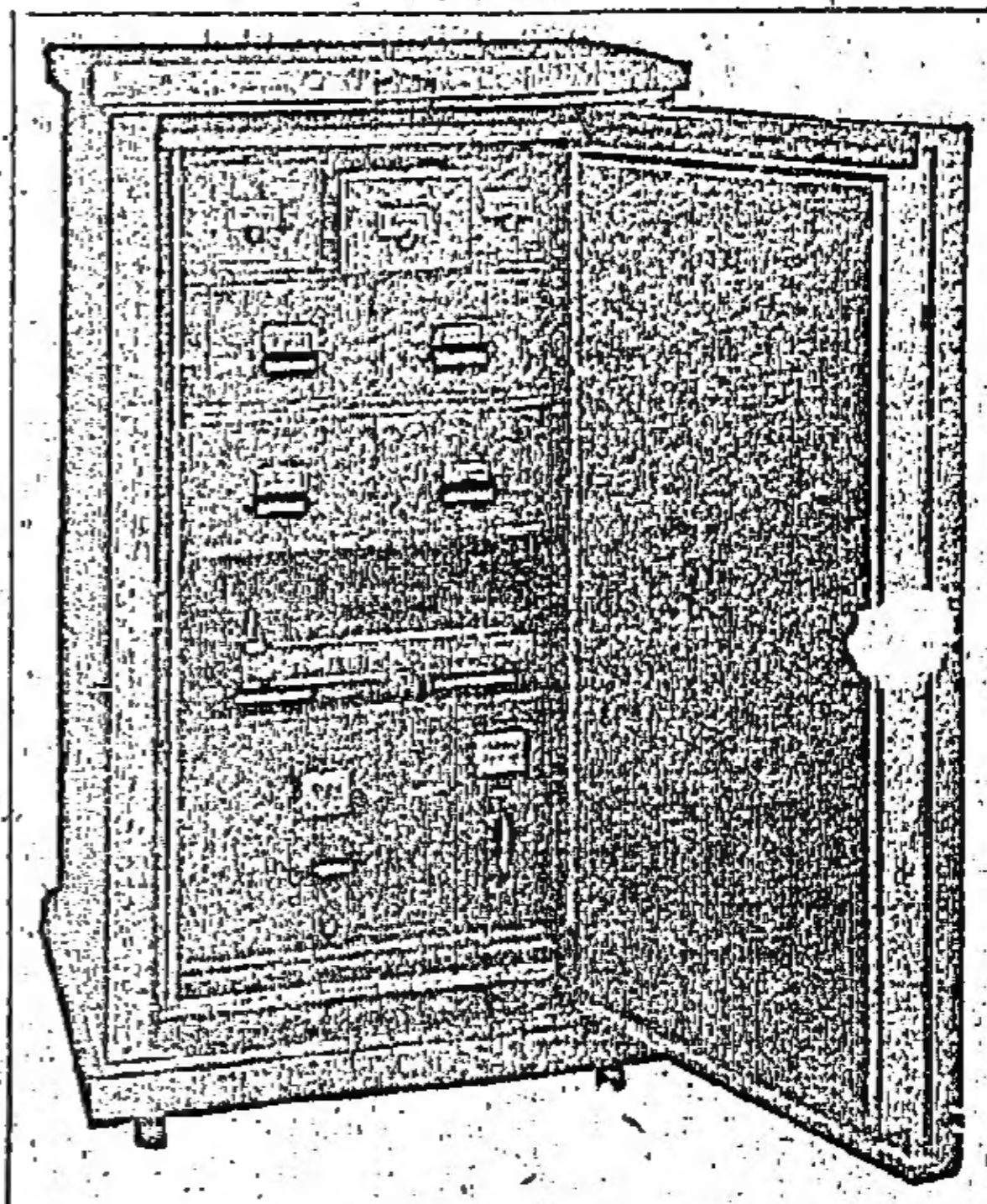
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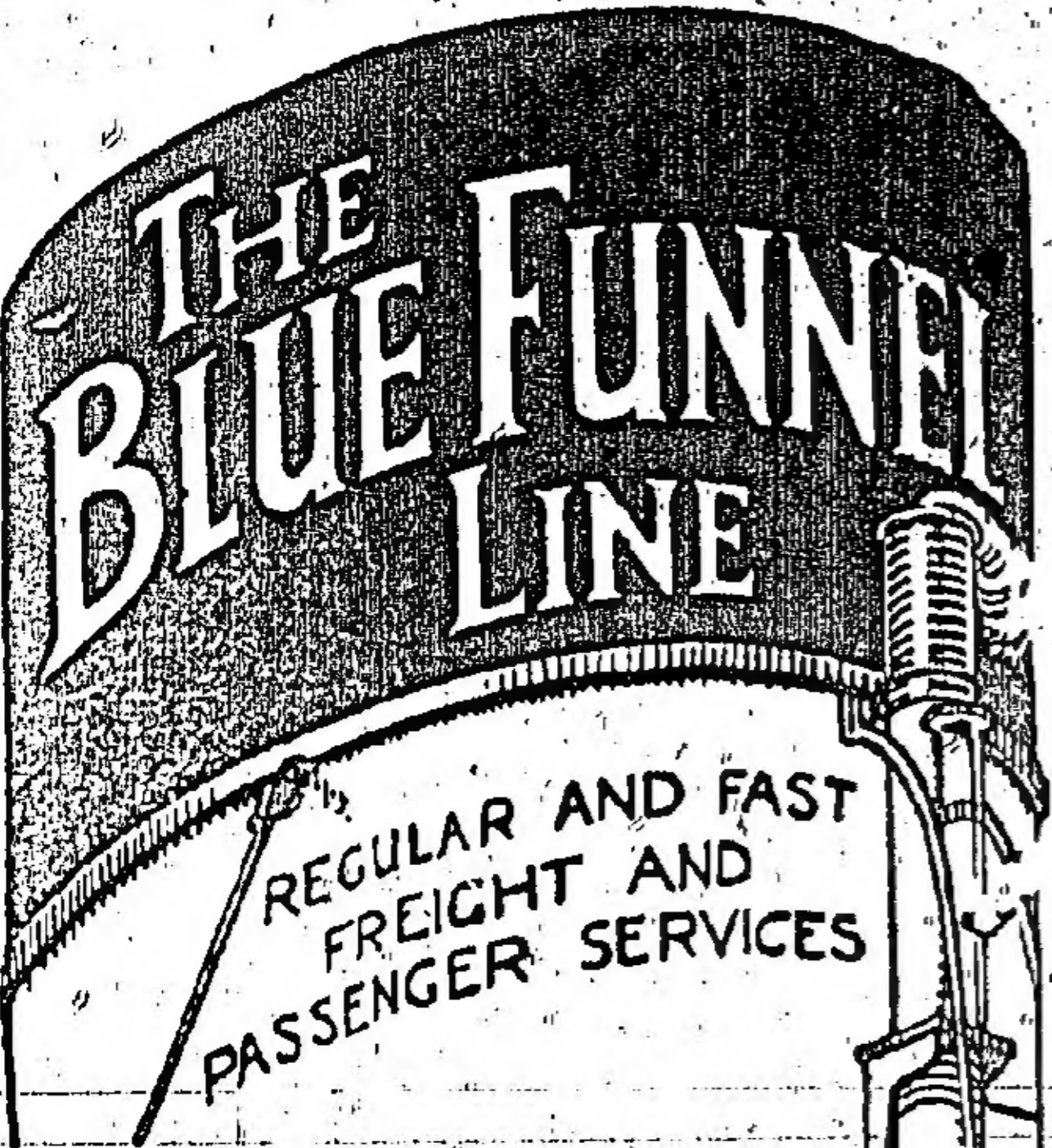
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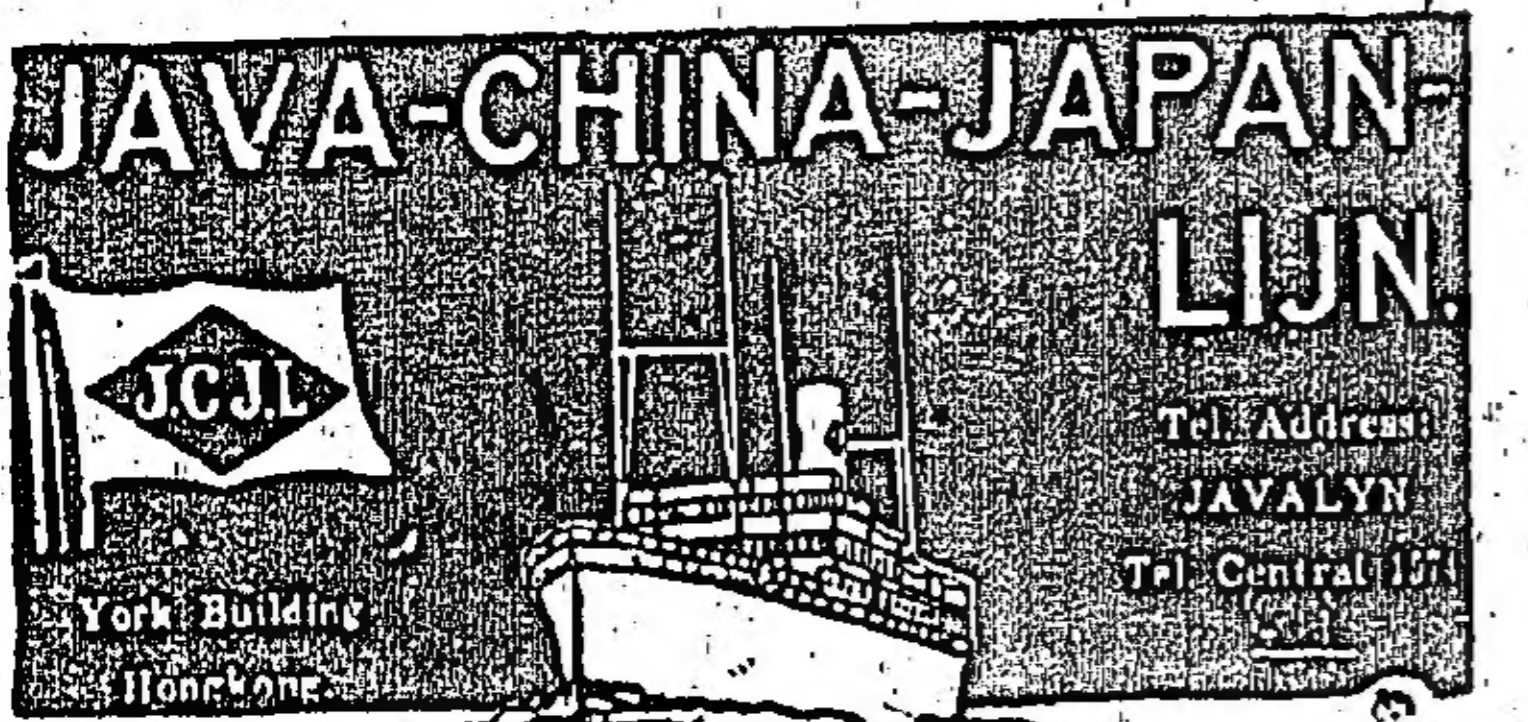
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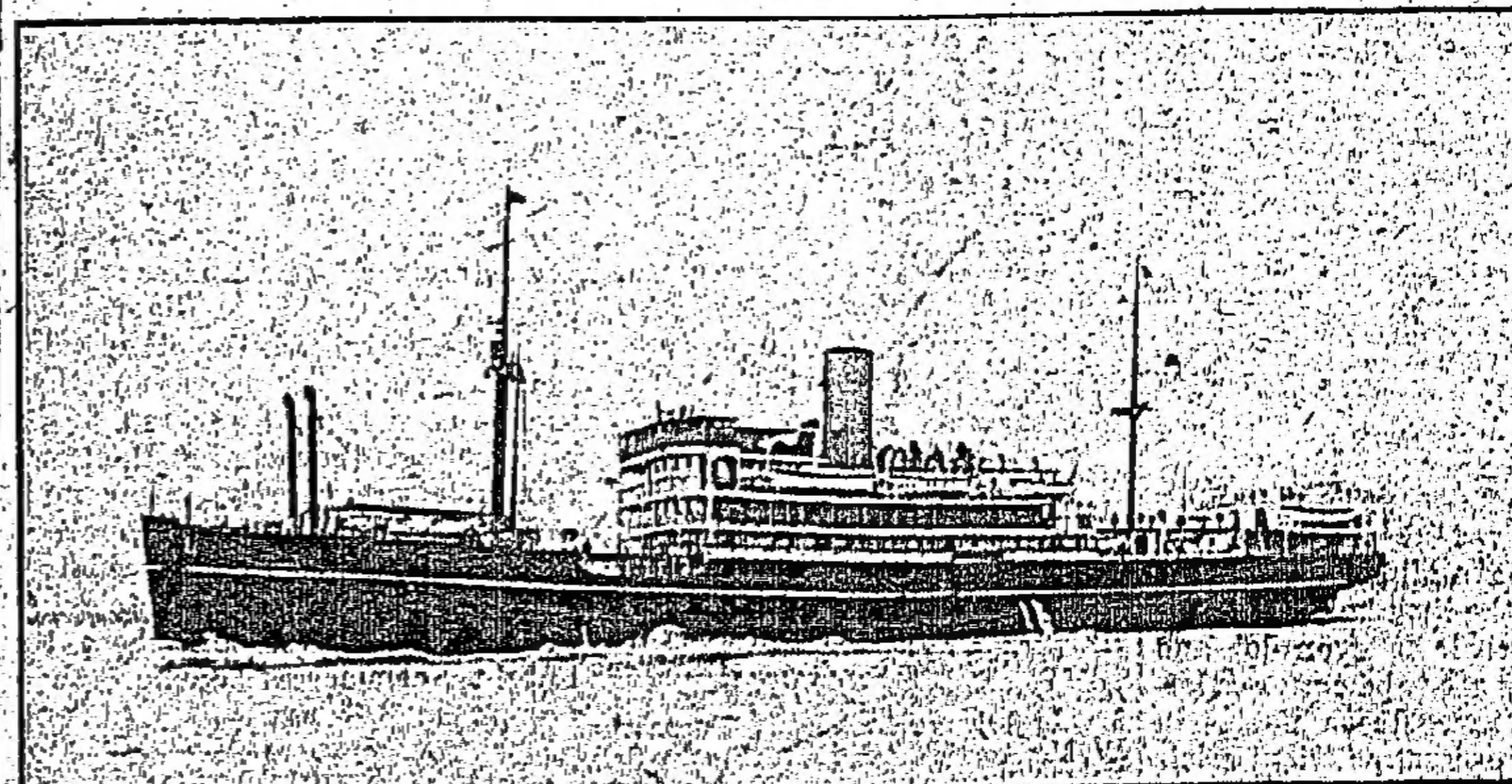
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ALIPPORE	5,273	8th Feb.	S'pore, P'ang C'bo & B'bay
KIDDERPORE	5,334	13th Feb.	S'pore, P'ang C'bo & B'bay
DELTA	8,097	18th Feb.	S'pore, P'ang C'bo & B'bay
KALYA	9,144	19th Feb.	Marseilles, London & A'werp
NELLORE	6,853	2nd Mar.	S'pore, P'ang C'bo & B'bay
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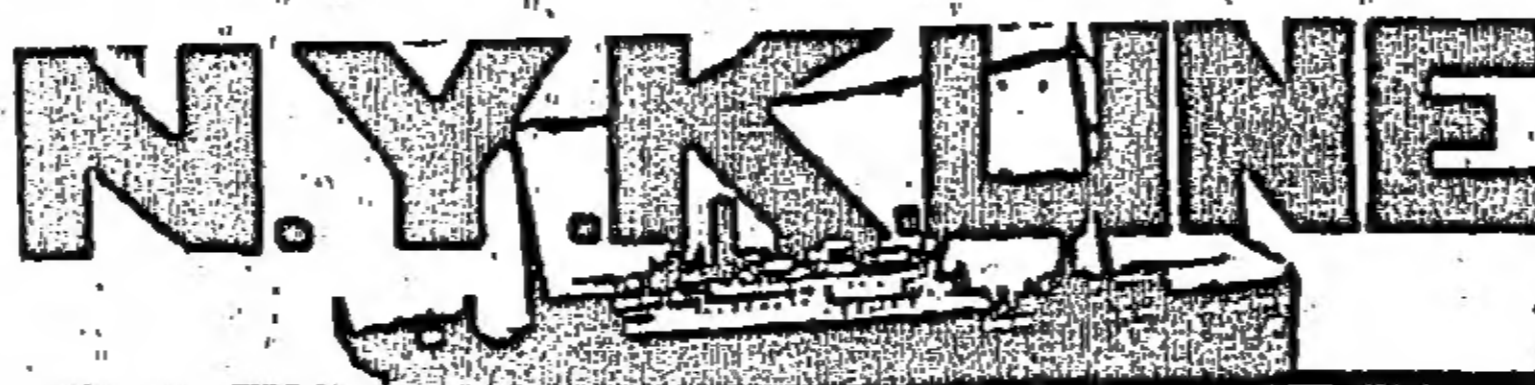
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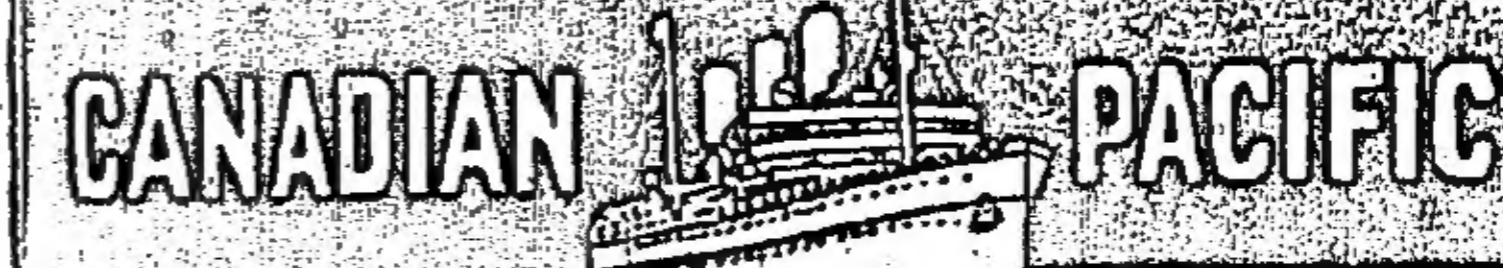
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BANGKOK	Thurs. 27th Jan at noon.	
STRAITS & Calcutta	Satur. 29th Jan at noon.	
TSINGTAU Swatow & S'hai Waikang	Sun. 30th Jan at 7 a.m.	
SANDAKAN	Mon. 31st Jan at 1 p.m.	
STRAITS & Calcutta	Fri. 4th Feb at 3 p.m.	
TIENTSI	Sun. 9th Feb at 7 a.m.	
HAIPHONG	Thurs. 10th Feb at 10 a.m.	
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SHANGHAI "DEFENCE
FORCE.

(Continued from Page 1).

on which the authorities depend in connection with the defences arrangements, there is no truth whatever, in the newspaper reports that Marshal Sun Chuan-fang has received a serious reverse in Chekiang. The authorities consider the reports sheer propaganda.—*Reuter.*

CAN EXTREMISTS BE
CONTROLLED?

MINOR EPISODES CAUSE DOUBTS.

London, Jan. 24.

No fresh developments are reported from China to-day.

It is not yet known in London whether the decision of the commercial community in the British Concession at Hankow, taken after consultation with Mr. O'Malley, to resume business to-day, was actually put into operation.

Minor episodes at Hankow and elsewhere sustain doubts in some quarters as to the ability of the Chinese authorities to control the extremists.

Meanwhile, the British authorities are continuing preparations to safeguard the lives and interests of nationals in China, of whom there are about 7,000 in Shanghai. These preparations will be adequate, but purely defensive. They are not directed against any party in China, nor are they provocative. Their extent is governed by the defensive requirements.—*British Wireless.*

NATIONALIST REPORTS.

MR. T. V. SOONG STOPS TROUBLE.

A Nationalist News Agency telegram dated Hankow, 22nd inst., states:—British banks and business houses here will open Monday, the 24th, it was announced to-day by the British Chamber of Commerce.

The necessity for this action has been the principal point emphasised by the Nationalist Minister for Foreign Affairs in his conversations up to the present time with British Legation at Peking.

Advices received here to-day from Changsha say that disturbances there have ended. Four men charged with looting in the A. P. C. Building there have been executed. Instructions from Mr. T. V. Soong, Minister of Finance, have been sent to the authorities at Changsha, that no interference should be allowed with the operations of the Standard Oil Company.

It became known here to-day that Mr. T. V. Soong, Finance Minister of the Nationalist Government, personally prevented the possibility of an armed clash between the mobs of coolies bent on invading the British Concession and the British marines on guard inside the Kiukiang Concession gates.

While en route to Hankow after attending the conference of leaders of the Nationalist Government in Nanchang, Mr. Soong arrived in Kiukiang last Thursday. He passed the point where a crowd was massed at the boundary of the British Concession, and seeing the danger in the situation, mounted the barricade and addressed the mass. He told them his name and position with the Nationalist Government and exhorted them to be calm and disperse without further action. The crowd desisted from their activities for the moment, and later in the afternoon armed troops entered and took over the protection of the area.

CANTON EXTREMISTS.

WANT POSTAL CONTROL.

A Chinese report from Canton states that, making use of the anti-British feeling in regard to Hankow incidents, extremists in Canton city are busying themselves in an attempt to influence the labour and student classes to demand the handing over of the Postal Administration to Chinese control.

Many resolutions are stated to have been passed at secret meetings held in connection with this movement, and the extremists hope to get the Government to support the plan.

EARLIER MESSAGES.

Malta, Jan. 24.

The first battalion of the Bedford-Hertford Regiments, and the second battalion of the Border Regiment, are leaving for China on Monday, aboard the Megantic.

The combined strength is about 1,400.

A number of officers of other branches of the service, including medical officers and nurses, are accompanying the draft.—*Reuter.*

1,000 MARINES COMING.

London, Jan. 24.

There was unwonted activity at Portsmouth barracks on Sunday.

"KOCOW"
PASSENGERS.

TWENTY-ONE BEFORE THE
MAGISTRATE.

The twenty-one Chinese passengers taken by the police last week off the steamer Kocow for examination subsequent to the discovery of eleven fully-loaded revolvers in a crate of eggs, appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy to-day, the charge being of possession of arms without a permit from the Captain Superintendent of Police.

The charge, with an application for a provisional remand, was brought by Chief Detective Inspector T. Murphy, who stated that the return of the ship's compradore was awaited, as this witness would give evidence connecting the defendants with the incident of passage-booking. It was not usual for men of their type to purchase first-class tickets, which they did by two's and three's, and it was this odd circumstance which aroused suspicions in the first place. For the rest, it would be rather difficult to connect the whole number of the defendants with the present charge, the testimony of the compradore being that which was most relied on. A formal remand was given.

When 1,000 marines were busy packing up their kits and bidding farewell to friends and relatives preparatory to sailing for China to-day aboard the Minnesota, which will call at Hongkong en route to Shanghai.—*Reuter.*

INDIA SENDS TROOPS.

Delhi, Jan. 24.

In the course of his inaugural address to the Assembly, the Viceroy announced that India being the nearest part of the Empire wherein forces were available for immediate despatch to China, the Government of India had agreed to contribute a contingent including Indian troops, thus co-operating with the Imperial Government, who had reluctantly been forced to order a reinforcement as a purely defensive measure.—*Reuter.*

FOUR BATTALIONS FROM INDIA.

London, Jan. 24.

The War Office has officially announced that the Government of India is arranging to despatch to Shanghai two British and two Indian battalions, with ancillary troops.—*Reuter.*

JAPANESE WARSHIPS.

Tokyo, Jan. 24.

The Navy Office announces that four destroyers, the Momo, Yanagi, Hinoki and Kashi were despatched to Shanghai from Sasebo to-day to join Japan's China squadron.—*Reuter.*

BANK REPORT.

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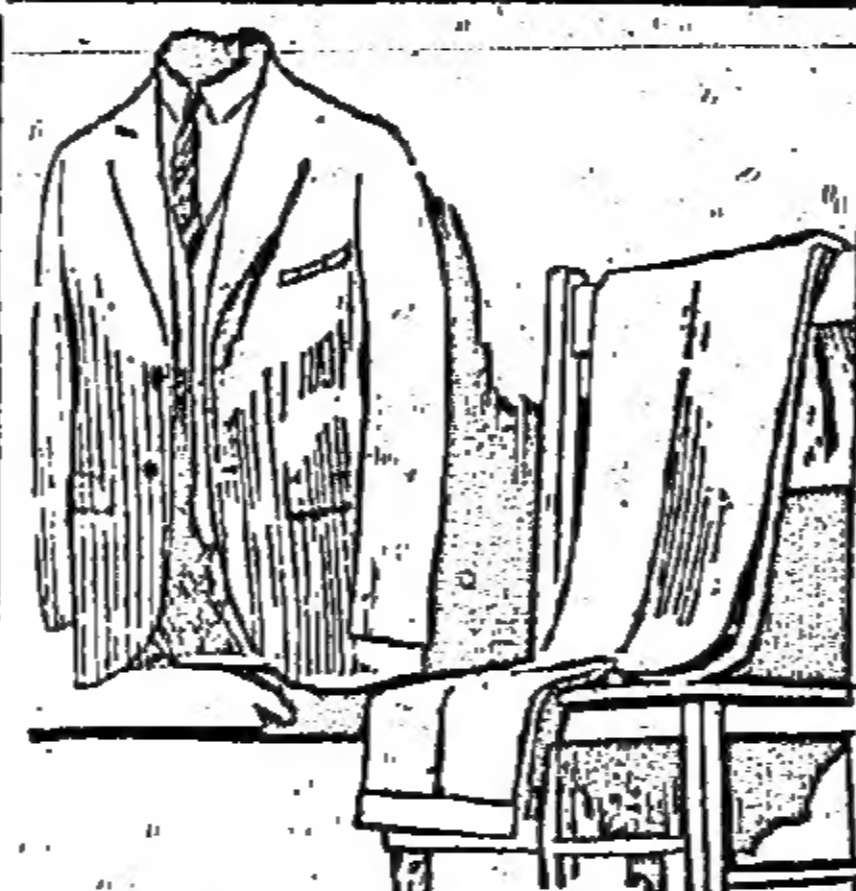
The Directors of The Bank of East Asia, Ltd., announce that, subject to audit, the profit for the year ending 31st December, 1926, after writing off all charges and making provisions for depreciation, bad and doubtful debts, and including the balance of \$163,365.28 brought forward from 1925, amounts to \$622,680.05 which the Directors propose to deal with at the forthcoming annual meeting as follows:—

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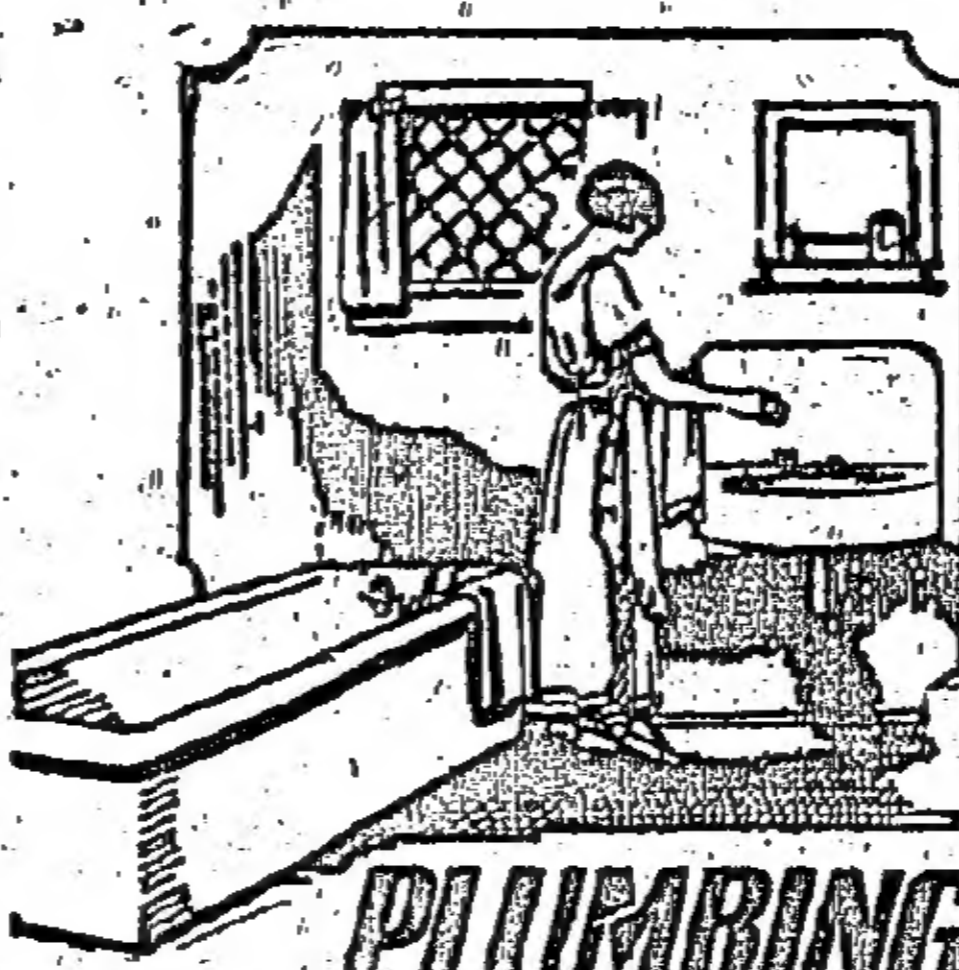
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